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THE REASON WHY.

Washington, D. C., 1904.

To my Friends:

Recently looking over files of old letters, that had been accumulating since 1850, with the intention of destroying them, I was surprised to find that many of them are of historic value both to the Presbyterian Church and to the Country, and therefore worthy of preservation.

A number of the letters are written with poor ink which is fading and will soon be illegible. Others are written with a lead pencil on an inferior quality of paper, which is falling to pieces, and all of the earlier letters were written at a time when copying with a letter press was rare.

To rescue and preserve these records of the activity of a church working to build up a Christian civilization west of the Mississippi River, it became necessary to copy the original letters, by typewriting, and then press copy the typewriting. This has now been done.

As the letters have filled over eight thousand type written pages, it was no small undertaking. Twenty-seven typewriters were employed for longer or shorter periods. The larger number had other work and copied these letters when off duty in order to increase their income. They represented all grades of workmanship good, bad and indifferent. Consequently many mistakes were made, which I have tried in the limited time at my disposal to correct.

In some letters the writing was so bad, or ink so poor, that the best of typewriters could not make them out and I have been surprised at the patience and skill manifested by some of them in deciphering illegible scrawls. (I doubt if some of the writers themselves, could now make out their own letters.)

If I could have had sufficient time, without neglecting some important work, I would have edited the letters and eliminated personal and private matters. It was to reproduce them in their original form, or not at all and I chose the original form.

In the foreword you give a true picture with the lights and shadows of the early life of the heroic, God-fearing and unselfish, and with great self-denial, men and women who were instrumental in the foundations of Christian institutions west of the Mississippi River.

In this connection I forgot to say that previous to 1850, many letters were also sent out uncopied and can not now be

1871-1872

By correspondence since that time, have been copied into letter press books, 30 volumes of which contain my private, and 42 volumes, of official letters as United States General Agent of Education in Alaska. These official volumes are the property of the U. S. Bureau of Education.

The 20 volumes of my private letters, together with the original letters received by me since 1868 (as far as preserved) will be deposited with the Presbyterian Historical Society located at Philadelphia. Of the two or three copies made of the original letters received, one set will be deposited in the Congressional Library, Washington, one in the Library of Princeton Theological Seminary, and one in the Library of Westminster College, Salt Lake City, Utah.

Additional information concerning the same work is contained in a series of scrap books, kept by myself since 1869, of which there are 21 volumes on Alaska (including 3 on the introduction of domestic reindeer into Alaska), Arizona 1, California, 1; Colorado, 3; Iowa, 1; Kansas, 1; Minnesota, 2; Montana, 1; Nebraska, 1; New Mexico, 1; Pueblos of New Mexico and Arizona, 2; Utah, 6 (including 3 on the Westminster College); Utah and Wyoming, 1; Washington, Oregon, and Idaho, 1; and 2 volumes of certificates of membership in various societies, appointments and other personal matters. These 48 volumes of scrap books will be given to the Presbyterian Historical Society, with the exception of the three volumes on Westminster College, which will be given to that institution.

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Greenfield, Ill.
April 1st, 1878.

Sheldon Jackson,
Dear Sir:-

At the last meeting of the Woman's M. S. in this place, connected with the Presbyterian church, an extract from a lecture delivered by you in St. Louis was read, and much interest felt, insomuch as that it was suggested, and note taken, that the Secretary should write to you that you might give us a word of advice or make some suggestions. We were only organized last December, and have not as yet, felt it best to decide as to where it shall be best to put our little means. Of course we are quite anxious to put it to the very best advantage. It almost seems intrusion, with your many cares to ask this of you.

May the Lord care for you and bless your efforts to his honor and glory.

Mr. Clark (our Pastor) received a copy of your paper and it has been circulating in our society.

Hoping to hear from you,

Yours Rsp.

Mrs. Lucy Wilder,
Secretary.

P.S. Our next meeting is April 11th.

Santa Fe, N. Mex.
April 2, 1878.

Dr. Jackson:-

Received your letter and will write a letter to send you by the 15th of this month, if that will do. Received a letter from Mrs Wheeler yesterday. I have gotten Mr. Gough's daughter to help me a while in school. Was over-worked last week. My school is increasing. Ex-Gov. Amey will publish notice of it this week gratis. I wish, if it will not trouble you too much, that you will please send me three or four easy Grammers and the price. I have some boys who wish a few doses. I teach the Spanish Grammer also. I get out to read Saturday and Sabbath. Hope to get out some evenings after school this week, while I have help. Have been suffering from a severe cold. That was why I felt the work so much last week. Your letter appeared in the new paper Saturday. Received a letter from editor S. S. paper. Have just written to our S.S. band at home. They are going to buy a printing Press for R. Roberts.
M. E. Griffith.

Springville, Utah.

April 3, 1878.

Dear Brother Jackson:-

Your card came to-day. The Historical Sketch was received several days since. Thanks. Enclosed find photograph. Dont forget yours in return. Have been very busy since Presbytery, but hope for time next week to write something on the value of Christian teachers' influence on society in these Utah towns.

On my return from Presbytery I accidentally learned of a great bargain here in the way of a building for our work. It is a two-story brick structure 40 feet square. All enclosed, and four rooms on ground floor finished. Large hall through center. Upper story unfinished, but the raw adobe partitions dividing it the same as the lower story. Basement under whole house. Stone foundation two feet thick from bottom of basement to first floor, same three feet above ground. All partitions are adobe and extend from ground to garret. These can be removed from upper story and posts put in to support roof, thus throwing that story all into one room. There is a lot 194 ft front by 256 ft deep with good well and out-house. This place is very centrally located on Main Street, only one block from where our lot is. It has shade trees in front (outside of walk) and quite a number of fruit trees in rear end of lot. This place can be bought at the ridiculously low price of \$1000.00. It seems to me Providence had a hand in its construction expressly for us. It was built by the late Bishop Johnson, who squandered several thousand of his ill gotten dollars on it, and then sold it to two sons who are not contented to live together under the same roof, and want to sell the place for money to help build two separate houses. They have contemplated tearing it down and re-building with same material, but that will be very expensive and then they will have the great hole in the ground to spoil the lot for use or sale.

If it were ours the upper story would do admirably for our school and services and the ground floor for my residence for which I could pay rent, thus providing a little income for the work in general.

It will cost from \$500.00 to \$800.00 to re-new partitions, put in porch, repair roof, build stairs, (there are none now.) put in a few nice windows, plaster and provide seats. What do you think of it? I think if the \$775.00 were in hand to pay down, the owner would take our lot at the price we paid for it (\$225.00) in part pay.

Received \$20. Monday from G. P. Sewall of Cayuga, N. Y. He had received my letter to Kneeland of Waterloo, and then sent it to his brother, A. C. S. of Williamstown, Mass.

Ladies of Rahway, N. J. are making up a box for us. Received 50 bibles yesterday from ladies of Elizabeth, N. J. and a great quantity of S. S. papers from Hope Mission, Cedar Rapids, Iowa. So my letters are accomplishing something.

Miss Noble has no photographs here, or would enclose one now.

Will you have time to write me what you think of this larger building for our purpose?

Family all well, and Mr. L. and Miss W. unite in sending kind regards.

In great haste, your brother in Christ.

Geo. W. Leonard.

Princeton, N. J.
April 1st, 1878.

Rev. Sheldon Jackson, D. D.

Dear Brother:-

I would have answered your letter in reference to Ogden sooner if I could, but I could not till I had made some definite arrangements about the place. You were right in supposing I was the student. I must say though that your letter and the letter of Mr. McNiece took me by surprise. I knew nothing of the facts that you mentioned. Mr. Mudge had said nothing to me about Utah. I was not aware that the Princeton ladies were seeking a mission field for me, but since all this has come about without any seeking of mine I feel that it is providential and am willing to undertake the task.

Ogden from what Dr. Dixon and Mr. McNiece tell me must be a hard place. Dr. Dixon is frank and says that these Mormons immoral intemperate and hostile to religion, and the Gentiles there are not much better. But he further said, that if I had patience, pity and perseverance enough to go and work among them, that the field would call for all the energies of my mind and heart. I liked the plainness and honesty of Dr. Dixon, and now that I know the facts, I am more willing to go than before.

The hard work and the immoral set I am going among do not appall me. If God be for us who can be against us?

I have not my commission from the Board and can not just say when I can go. As soon as I get my commission, and some preliminary matters can be arranged I will be able to say when I can begin my labors. I think by the middle of June I will be in Ogden ready to go forward, and sooner if possible.

I will write and let you know when I will be in Ogden.

I send you my kindest regards and thank you for your description of Ogden.

Yours in Christ,
George W. Gallagher.

Princeton, N. J.
April 3rd, 1878.

Rev. Sheldon Jackson, D. D.
Dear Brother:-

I have been to see the Princeton ladies this afternoon and have informed them that I am willing to go to Utah. I consider the matter settled. The Home Mission Board has not sent me my commission, but I consider it to be a matter of form and am sure that they will grant the commission. The Princeton ladies will support the school, and the teacher and the Home Mission Board will pay my salary.

I think that I can say that I will leave New York about the first of June or Monday June the third, as June first comes on Saturday. I will be exceedingly obliged to you, if you can get me any reduction in the rates. I expect to have open boxes to send on, and I do not know whether to forward them as freight or express them through. You have considerable experience in this matter, and perhaps you can give me all necessary information on the subject.

I have written to Mr. McNeice in reference to Ogden asking him to do what he could in the way of preparation before I come: if anything can be done.

I thank you for your offers and advice and suggestions. There is one thing that you must misunderstand me about. I did not give Alaska because Mr. Young and Mr. Brady were going there.

The Home Mission Board told me that they could not send me there. There afterwards changed their vote. I took their first vote as conclusive, and sought another field and then felt that I was needed elsewhere; when I heard that Alaska comparatively well supplied for the small number of English speaking people, and natives that could be reached. This is just the fact.

I send you my kindest regards,
Yours in Christ,
Geo. W. Gallagher.

Mt. Pleasant, Utah.
April 4th, 1878.

Dear Dr. Jackson:-

Yours received enclosing Dr. Ely's. Sorry your foot still troubles you. Shall I send you a fifty-pound salt crystal, or in view of the probable expense of shipping; would you prefer a small one? McNeice writes, that he will come in two weeks. Mother improves slowly. She ventured out of the house yesterday, and took a short ride. Shall write Cedar Rapids folks as soon as possible, but the very low estimate which the Secretaries of the Board have put upon my services in

the East as well as in the West, discourages any thought of using my pen. I will do what I can, whatever the discount.

Yours fraternally,
D. J. McMillian.

American Fork, Utah.
April 5, 1878.

Rev. Sheldon Jackson, D. D.
Denver, Colo.

Dear Brother:-

Yours of the 30th ult. received. Also the historical sketch of Synod. Many thanks. I have no photograph at present to exchange with you. Will have some taken next time I am in the city, and shall be honored in exchanging with you. I hope you have a sound understanding by this time. You will need it for General Assembly work. We are all well. Have ridden Sam Pete since Presbytery, a horseback ride of 140 miles inside of four days. Open school at Battle Creek next Monday, 8th inst. Prospects good. I will contribute an article to Rocky Mountain Presbyterian, if desired.

With warm regards,

Yours fraternally,
Geo. R. Bird.

Cape May Point, N. J.
April 5th, 1878.

Rev. Dr. Jackson,

Dear Sir:-

When I send you the R. W. P. letter for A. Home. I send also a short article for children; "A Little Girl in Church." I think that must have got mislaid as it has not appeared. I am sorry about it as I wanted to use the paper with that in as Missionary bait to draw a large and influential family into Home Missionary work. I meant to give the paper with it to that little girl's mother, and ask her to get up a club for the Rocky Mountain Presbyterian, and to join the Home Missionary Society here. I have engaged to give our new committee a set of articles on "Training Our Children to Home Mission work." They want me to go to Saratoga. I would like to go, and to give this training etc., as an address before it went into the Rocky Mountain Presbyterian; but I cannot afford it. When I would have to give up over \$150.00 worth of working time to it. I could not afford to add the expense of the Saratoga trip in cash to that, so I must decline going. I am jubilant over our Alaska home. I think as much as \$250.00 must have been

given through the Presbyterian alone. I was so glad that that \$1000.00 came through Mrs. Graham's hands! My long desire is to make a tour through Colorado, Mexico, Utah, Oregon and Alaska. Visiting our mission stations, writing letters &c; then publishing a large illustrated book full of facts, fun and instruction, so that no one shall any more be so ignorant of our home work.

Then I would visit the Synods, and speak to the ladies Synodical Committees, and I believe I could draw tears and dollars from the hardest and dullest. Once I could have engaged a book on the subject to a publisher and he would have given me the money to go, but now publishers have much to do to keep afloat. But sometime if I live I will do this thing.

Let me hear how the work comes on.

Very truly,

Julia McNeir Wright.

April 7th, 1878.

Names of those forming the organization of
Presbyterian Church of Lawson, Colorado.

Mrs. Mary Coburn, Mr. Stevens, Mrs. Stevens, Mr. Watts, Mrs. Watts, Mr. Robb, Mr. Geo. Oliver, Mrs. Oliver, Mrs. Spruance, Mrs. M. J. Myers, Miss Minnie Albertson, Mr. Thos. McClure, Mrs. Sarah Jane McClure, Mr. Wm. Gallagher, Mrs. Martha Gallagher, Mr. J. H. Morrison, Mrs. Louisa L. Morrison, Mr. J. A. Van Auken.

Organized by Rev. Sheldon Jackson and Rev. John Wilson
in room over at 1:30 P. M.

Messrs Stevens & Robb elected Ruling Elders for one
year.

Babe of Mrs. Spruance baptized.

Salem, Washington Co., N. Y.
April 8th, 1878.

Dear Dr. Jackson:-

Your letter of March the 12th, came to me in a time of deep affliction. Our son-in-law Grenville Tremain died very suddenly on the 19th of March, leaving my daughter Eliza, (not yet thirty years old) with five little children, the eldest only eight years old. Mr. Tremain was in his thirty-third year. The shock of his sudden death was very great and the grief occasioned by it is immeasurable, yet amid all the sorrows and cares of this life "we must be about our Father's business," and I feel that I ought to answer your question. What are the Albany ladies doing? without further delay.

The Ladies in Albany assisted in starting the Gagona

Mission two years ago, subscribing for the first year \$500.00 towards the salary of Dr. Menaul. This liberal pledge secured for that Mission the services of Dr. Menaul. Since that time this Mission has come under the care of the Presbyterian Church

Dr. Kendall has visited Laguna, and fully approves the Mission. The Ladies Board of Missionaries of the Presbyterian Church at New York has taken this Mission in a measure under its supervision, and has released the Albany society from their pledge to the amount of \$300.00. This sum has been promised by the Presbyterian society of Auburn and the Cayuga Presbytery:-- viz:- the Albany ladies still hold themselves pledged for \$200.00 a year, until they can be relieved from this subscription by the Presbyterian Ladies Missionary society.

It will not do for our Albany society to make pledges to our other Boards -- particularly such as are denominational.

Our Society is a very large one. It is Pioneer in its character. Your work dear brother, which is also a pioneer work, will show you, how it would embarrass us in our efforts to extend the knowledge of the gospel, if we were obliged to contribute from our small fund year after year to the same object. You can plant a Mission and leave it for some organized body to take care of, and go on and open another Mission Station; and this is what we are trying to do, consequently we have requested the Ladies Board of Missions to assume the \$500.00 pledge. To Dr. Menaul we cannot do more for this Mission at present, and I am trying to get two or three "Ladies Presbyterian Mission Societies" to pledge the remaining \$200.00 to the Ladies Board of Missions for Dr. Menaul's salary and so have our little society at liberty to work at the Military posts, and to make donations here and there as we can do so successfully.

The Military Posts need all we can do for them. It is wonderful what has been already accomplished by sending organs to the distant Posts within a year. We have sent organs to Fort Monroe, Virginia, Fort McHenry, Maryland, Fort Bolville, Wash. Ter., Fort Tappan, Idaho and Fort McDowell, Arizona, and have promised a very nice organ to the U. S. Naval School ship, "Minnesota." We have also sent a box to Fort Randall, Dak. with donations of Hymn books and Bibles to Military Posts, and we have received handsome returns from these Posts. A citizen sending at Phoenix, Arizona, sent us \$25.00 after a hearing that we had sent an organ to Camp McDowell, Arizona.

We have also heard that a Sabbath service has been commenced at the Post. Please let me hear from you and permit me to collect a little more than a dollar for the Rocky Mountain Presbyterian towards my subscription.

Very truly your friend,
Cornelia W. Martin.

P. S. I expect to return home this week. Mrs. Dickson wrote to me all about your trials in Philadelphia. I can feel for you. Would you be so kind as to recommend the Laguna Mission to some of the Presbyterian Ladies Home Mission Societies of Phil?

San Francisco, Cal.
April 8th, 1878.

Rev. Sheldon Jackson, D. D.
Denver, Colorado.

Dear Sir:-

Your favor of the 2nd inst. has been received and in reply I beg to state that you are quite correct in the opinion expressed in your letter to the effect that you will receive the hearty co-operation of this company in your efforts toward the enlightenment of the native people of Alaska. It has been the practice of the Company to afford all possible facilities to all those who have visited that Country in the interest of science, religion or civilization, and we shall be happy to render you all the assistance in our power should you make the visit you contemplate. In respect to the running of a steamer up the Yukon river I have to state that we have a very small steamboat which has made trips up the river for several years, but I think she is in such condition now that it is doubtful whether she will make another trip. The boat is very small-- the river being shallow -- and she has been used to tow small boats or barges laden with merchandise, and has no passenger accommodation. If you were on the ground, however, at the time of the departure of the expedition which goes generally early in June you could, no doubt, accompany the traders on the expedition, but it would be a rough experience. If you were not at St. Michael's before the 1st of August the date you mention, you would be too late. I know of no way by which you can reach the mouth of the Yukon except by our Steamer "St. Paul," which sails from this port for Ounalaska, St. Paul's island &c., April 25th inst. This vessel will remain some time in the region of Ounalaska and the Seal Islands and will leave St. Michaels, which is our station, for the mouth of the Yukon about the 25th of June. It is the only vessel we shall send to the Yukon Country, and she remains at St. Michaels only a few days.

It is expected that the Treasury Department will send the U. S. Revenue Steam Cutter "Richard Rush" into Alaskan waters some time this spring, but we have no information as to her time of sailing from this Port, nor do we know whether she will visit St. Michaels during the summer. All our vessels engaged in the Alaskan trade have sailed excepting the steamer "St. Paul" and we shall not probably send any other this season after the "St. Paul" has sailed.

There may be other vessels than ours which will visit places in Northern Alaska after the sailing of our steamer but we know of none. I write you particularly about the sailing of vessels that you may govern your movements accordingly. Communication with Northern and Western Alaska is irregular and uncertain after the month of April.

Yours very respectfully,
JNO. F. MILLER.

Marseilles, Ohio.
April 8th, 1878.

Rev. Mr. Jackson:-

The Women's Missionary Society of Marseilles gave me permission to send twenty dollars to you, requesting you to have it applied on the church or school building at Fort Wrangel, Alaska. If that is impossible, make as good use of it as you can for the Master's cause, and please let us know if you receive it.

Julia E. Bower,
Marseilles,
Wyandot Co.,
Ohio.

Rosita, Colorado.
April 8, 1878.

My dear Brother Jackson:-

What about the promise of that additional hundred. Do not hear a word from any source. All is "in statu quo." Presume it will here remain. Do promises of our secretaries, and acts of Presbyterian amount to working? You know the promise of Dr. Kendall, and act of Presbytery in the Fall meeting. The fact is that additional hundred should have been quoted this field. We have just been under pressure thus far all the year. Well, we can work and pray and trust, and then pray and trust and work, feeding upon the blessed promise, "Lo, I am with you alway." "Have never seen the righteous forsaken." Never expect to.

Have just written Mrs. Woolen. Presume something will come from that source toward the hundred.

It I am able to secure from some source \$500.00 in addition from what we can secure from Church Executive Board, I will have here two new Church buildings in six months hence. We then hold the field, not withstanding all efforts to the contrary.

The Lord has just done wonders here the nine months past. We have expended about \$200.00 in church material. We have us a splendid sixteen stop organ. We have a Sabbath school of 80 members. Still we grow. All alive. We have a live church, a good prayer meeting, a session of five members; and crowning all opening for two church buildings.

Fraternally &c.

W. P. Teitsworth.
Rosita, Colo.

P.S. Don't forget about Session Book. Have it ready at Presbytery.

St. Louis, Mo.
April 9th, 1878.

Rev. Sheldon Jackson,
Denver, Colo.

Dear Brother:-

If the 21st, will suit your convenience better
then come. The arrangements will all be fixed.
Allan is away.

Yours &c.
John R. Irwin.

Lincoln, N. Mex.
April 9th, 1878.

Dear Brother:-

You are catching it in the Territorial papers,
but I guess it dont amount ot much. Probably I will be the
target sometime in th future. We are unable to do much until
the Lincoln County war ends. About fifteen have been shot
since we came. Mrs. Ealy sends a piece to publish, if you
think it worthy. If not, leave it out.

We are all well and hopr they will advance us ano-
ther quarter's salary. I have already written them about it.
We will be under the necessity of buying some furniture.
Please remind them of our wants when you write.

Our regards to Mrs. Jackson. A good many people in

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Your brother,
T. F. Ealy.

Cedar Rapids, Iowa.
April 9, 1878.

Rev. Sheldon Jackson,
Denver, Colo.

Dear Sir:-

Yours of the 6th inst., to ourself came to hand this
morning. At the Lasies' Meeting this P. M., it was decided to
be impracticable for a meeting to be arranged for Tuesday Even-
ing the 23rd inst., Our principal trainswith delegates to the
Annual Meeting of the North Western Board will come in between
7 and 9 o'clock, and our ladies will have their hands full.

The only time you could get would be, say an hour and
a half after the business meeting of the Iowa Board on Tuesday
afternoon, so if you come this will be the arrangement.

With kind regards,

Truly yours &c.,
Jno. F. Ealy.

Rochester, Minn.
April 9, 1878.

Dear Brother:-

Yours from Denver bearing date of April 4th, duly

received.

In reply to your inquiry concerning date of the dis-
solution of your pastoral relation with this church, I find on
records of sessions this account over your signature as moderator.

"Rochester, Feb. 5, 1869. Rev. Sheldon Jackson asked
the church to unite with him in a request to Presbytery to dissolve
the pastoral relation existing between them. ---
The request being granted the following resolutions &c."
Minn. Sessions, Page 44, Also on

Page 45, I find the following:

"Presbyterial action upon the resignation of Mr. Jack-
son. The Presbytery of Southern Minnesota in session at Onata-
wa, February 10, 1869, granted the request of Mr. Jackson for a
dissolution of his pastoral relation to the church at Rochester."

In regard to the other matter of which he spoke --
namely the liabilities of Mr. Cook and others assumed for the
Rochester church, it is all wholly new to myself and of it I
know nothing. I have since receiving your letter, had no op-
portunity to see Mr. C. and hence have not talked with him.
I thought this little struggling church would be able to
weather through, but doubt it if they are to stagger under a
\$2000.00 load. We have no "Kimball" here, and I don't believe
he could raise that much where it is not. There is no blood in
stone. We can barely keep the property in decent condition and
get bread for the preacher. It is not putting you to too
much trouble I would be glad if you would give me a short ex-
planation of this financial item.

Miss Bennet was very much worn and while she improves
slowly, still her improvement is not as would wish it might be.
I am sorry the Board squeezes that school at Salt Lake
as they do. It is bound to go under under such a policy as is
now pursued. I mean no personal reflection but I think I am
not mistaken as to the general working of matters there.

Fraternally,

H. A. Newell.

Navajo Agency, N. M.
April 9, 1878.

Rev. Sheldon Jackson,
Denver, Colo.

Dear Sir:-

I find no one employed as teacher at this agency
at present, so you can consider that two such situations are

open here. In making nominations for employees for the present quarter, the teachers were omitted, so there is an opportunity offered for Missionary work here in this capacity, but a grave question arises in my mind whether teachers with families can be induced to come herewhen all the circumstances of the case are known to them. In the first place, by a recent order from the Commissioner, no teacher's account for salary will be allowed unless he or she can certify to a bona fide attendance of not less than fifteen scholars during the month. Thus you see that unless the teacher could prevail upon the children to attend in that number; his or her pay from government would be lost.

Secondly, the difficulty which exists in procuring the necessary attendance arises from the fact that none of the Indian families reside permanently at or near the Agency buildings.

Again, the wretchedly dilapidated condition of these buildings operates as a serious drawback in the matter of inducing families to take up residence here. Such I find to be the situation in reference to mission work, but if any can be found who are willing to make the sacrifice and run the risk, they will be welcome. It would be very reprehensible on the part of anyone, however, to hold out any false inducements or to misrepresent the true state of the case in order to induce teachers to come here.

As far as the nomination of Physician is concerned, I cannot commit myself. One thing is certain, and that is, this; no man, no matter how good a missionary he may be, can be nominated to that position who is not a thoroughly competent physician and such generally have practice which is worth more to them than the compensation allowed at Indian Agencies.

I propose to devote my-self at once to the task of trying to secure the removal of the Agency from its present location to the valley of the San Juan or some more eligible site on the reservation. If I succeed, something may be done in the matter of maintaining Schools; if not I have little hope. Write to me freely, your opinion of the situation. Thanks for the Hymnal and Music.

With kindest regards,

Yours sincerely,
John E. Pyle.

Greely, Colo.

April 10th, 1878.

Sheldon Jackson, D. D.

Received your card last eve. If you can't make any other arrangement without much inconvenience, we shall have to accept your proposition that you be here Sabbath Eve, the 21st. If we could hold out greater inducements, we might be justified in wishing you here at our regular services: I preach at Evans in the morning at 11 o'clock. Mr. Wight got out a fair attendance in the eve, but not as good as in the P.M. None of the people would be in from the country. Besides I

want you to speak in Evansville, and am sure we should not have a decent audience Monday p. m. While there we prefer to have you here all day. We must nevertheless, consult your convenience. At the regular services you would doubtless have the houses full.

Let me know your decision before next Sabbath, and also give me your subject if you can.

Fraternally,

J. W. Partridge.

Del Norte, Colo.,
April 9, 1878.

Dear Brother Jackson:-

Both of your last letters before me. God willing, I propose being at both Presbytery and the Synod. and thus get some use to the cause of my trip to New Mexico and Union, tentatively, with the Presbytery of Sante Fe. The expense is the only difficulty I foresee, in my closeness of finances, and my present small income, because of quartage exhausted on debts; but I have them all out of the way, except the one to you. It will take about \$40.00, even railroad half-fares, and that would keep us a month. Please secure both George and myself half-fares on the Denver and Rio Grande Railroad if you can. Please do not do what Rev. Bliss got last year, a permit to get a ticket at half rate. Three days named in permit, because we can not tell what day, living sixty miles away, we can reach the nearest depot. Please get us regular half-fare tickets.

Permit me now to say before your fraternal eyes, something I have been wanting to say for quite a while:-

1. You will recall the fact that in seeking a new field, under your kind auspices, I have been accustomed to surrender my liberty of judgment and action into yours and the Board's hands. Keeping in obedience my own will except as expressed in a desire for the , or on the other hand adopted the rule of always accepting. "The first call" I got, without any deliberation of, or my own preference for a later one. In all this, looking back, I see I have violated my usual custom of settling matters of duty independently and intelligently between God and myself. That day has passed.

2. Once in Iowa under the pressure of pain and abuse, I left a field in which I had done a noble work, and a place, generally acknowledged then, none could have filled as well as I. I realize it as a great mistake on the basis of conscientious judgment. I came again to the performance of the same mistake in my desire of leaving Del Norte, because suffering for Christ's sake, as was evidenced in the fact that at our last annual Meeting, March 5, 1878. My milk man, Elder Green, whose mother's and his own foolish fault finding you will remember in your visit here for organization in April 1875. I under his mother's investigation, as she could not vote, because of incompetency as a non-

contributor for last year. Tried to get a vote of dissatisfaction (His aim was expulsion, but dissatisfaction was all that was legal) but was outvoted seven to one. His ground of dissatisfaction having originated in our buying only one pint of milk from him, and one from another milkman, who though not a Christian was a gentleman and gave better measure! His mother has since been stricken from the roll of the Church at her own request, backed by the fact that if she had stayed, she would have to have been disciplined for contumacy and slander & c.

3. On that same annual day the enclosed "Rules &c" were adopted, and members, some of them, said they would not have joined the Church if I had not been Pastor.

4. I realize that being regularly called Pastor, I should not have made no overtures for leaving without their expressed wish for my departure & c.

5. If I do leave, I ought not to, until my successor should be on the field and introduced to the people,; as, if I did, my church would be almost destroyed because of incompetency of members and officers to maintain religious services. Our place of meeting would very likely be "jumped", and we have no house of worship. Also our officers are nearly always absent in Summer. Again, as I thought schools were as good for white heathen as Mexican & c. I in accordance with our plan of an Annual Class in the Catchison formed a class of twenty-four interesting young people from nine to nineteen years, out of the children of unconverted families or of those neglected by their own churches, and God has given me at least five souls. Because I had no children of my own church of seven years for the "Class of 78". Four of those young people now are officers of my school, which is prospering above years before this. Leaving all this, without necessity would would destroy the class, and otherwise injure the cause of Christ, as my influence here is becoming, so far as I can see, more potent for good all the while as I have won it, by God's grace, in face of much and early unjust opposition. I believe also the Board favors long pastorates as does the Church. Alamasa and Garland City will also require my care, and now that I can conceive of, can do it better than from my long residence here, and having been used to that way.

6. Still I am ready, if the church will consent, and they could very probably be induced to so do, to go to the Navajoes for life. But I would prefer to be solely under the auspices of the Board of Home Missions. Yet, I would try even the Erastian Government partial support for Christ's sake.

7. But unless my failure to go to the Navajoes depends solely on the Agent's refusal, I shall deem the Board's sending another man to the Navajoes both an insult to myself, and a violation of Presbyterial rights, and contrary to Presbyterianism; because first, the Board of Home Missions, as I told them in '75, when they were guilty of trying to limit the size of my salary, and not what they gave to my Church's help to support me, is only the Presbyterian's servant and not its master.

Second, that Presbytery is sole Bishop and overseer, except on complaint appeal or supervision in the Presbyterian Church, and beyond General Assembly, and even the power has sole and complete control of all work, fields, peoples churches, preachers, and so forth within its own bounds. therefore for that Board to use up authority over the Presbytery of Sante Fe, who regularly voted me to the apostleship of the Navajoes, and which I joined for that sole purpose. As a purpose official decision with me in making a choice of a field in that Presbytery, until that Presbytery regularly rescinds this action by my permission or my discipline as a member thereof. The Board has no right to occupy that field by another man. You can see current opposition to the Field or Board for just such unjustifiable, though too long permitted action, and my dear Brother, I have been smarting for a long time under the Home Board's interference, and when I once open war, they will find as all whom I honor, and who injure me do, that I have a memory like a recording angel. All honor to the Board, but out of its place, all enmity. and all obedience and honor to Presbytery, our sole Bishop, because our Church's government is more valuable than any agency thereof.

8. I know there was a semblance of an open door on my part for them to feel privileged to send me to Mexican work, but as that lies at my own door, and when I get money for travelling expenses, I can attend to it more extensively, and also because of the shallow crow fishing of my brethren of Santa Fe Presbytery. I feel bound to hold the Board to their present official action, or the Presbytery to regularly reconsider its action in my presence. With all due modesty I feel myself the peer of any man in Sante Fe Presbytery, and I know my record is as good or better than that of any man in these Mountains, except yourself as a Missionary. While taken into consideration with my own clear estimate of sufficient qualifications for any Mission work, and my long experience of God's grace and his work in me, I feel deeply wronged by the judgment so shallow as the after expressions that came to my ears at Taas.

9. In case of failure of Navajoe work, or of my being justified in leaving here, I shall publicly through the press make the following propositions to the Church East and West, as a first step prior to going to another field, and if it fails may leave America altogether for Foreign Work, if God so will. His Will ever be done, blessed be his name !

1. I will offer to preach the Gospel on the basis of the enclosed "rules" for to any Church of our denomination of ten adult Breadwinners, anywhere in the United States East of the Western line of Nebraska.

2. The same to any Church of fifteen adult Breadwinners, West of the Western line of Nebraska.

I would be the best supported Minister in five years in the United States, and I am tired of this fraudulent life of having sufficiently capable Churches sponging on Eastern & c

people, many of whom are poorer than we. I have made this offer to my own Church. Seven of them are giving ten per cent, but as some are children, we are yet some way from victory over covetousness. I have just written to the members of our Church absent from Del Norte, first to ask for letters if they are to be absent six months longer or to do one of these three things. Second, 1. Pay our minimum pole tax binding on each member by the Church's own vote. \$13.00 a year in monthly installments. (See last sentence section 2, chapter) Second, to pay thirty dollars a year with this just the amount received per head by this Church for each of last three years, so we may become self supporting as soon as possible. Thirs. Heartily commanding there signature to the "vow" accompanying our "seven rules"

We are trying to get things on a Christian basis, for see this, Brother, if each member of the thirty, we always have at this time of the year, would averagingly increase their subscriptions \$30.00 this year, we would be immediately self-supporting. Let me show you how easy it would be. A widow desired to join our Church, but her objection was she could not help support, because she was so poor. I remember that the scripture taught that she was poor because she did not give as she was able. She considered it. Talked it over with her son and daughter, who have since confessed Christ. They resolved they would give the Lord one tenth of their income. Their income was then but \$2.50 per week for washing and knitting, besides a small portion which latter was being exhausted in paying for a dwelling house she had bought formerly in another place. Well, as to results. That very night her agent in paying for her house wrote that she only owed \$15.00 more on it. instead of about \$60., as he had first (and apparently with fraudulent intent) said. Next day she increased in supply of work. In less than three weeks from her union with the Church a few days after, she sent \$2.10 representing \$21.00 income instead of \$7.50 as heretofore. And last Sabbath just four weeks from union with the Church, she paid \$1.85 more, making in all received in one month \$39.50 instead of \$10. as before. Who says, there is not, that scattereth and yet increaseth " Prov. 11, 24.

As to Alamosa, I am keeping awake to it, but as yet no wisdom of going there. Particularly as I am short of funds to do it. But (D. V.) I purpose visiting it before Presbytery. If you hear of any others about to head me off, telegraph, "Alamosa" to me and I'll be there. But how about "Leadville" "Lake Co"., said to have 20000. A newspaper, banks & c. Two churches in process of erection and good stable mines. Who's there?

Give my regards to Mrs. Jackson and family. Remember me to George's former pastor. Brother Kendall of the 17th.

If any more wanted let me know. I am always ready.

Yours in Christ,

Alex. M. Darley.

P.S. George has a baby daughter. All well.

23-Centre Street, New York, N. Y.
April 10, 1878.

Dear Brother Jackson:-

Mr. Hubbard of this City, who used to be in Denver I believe, came to me to-day with a letter from a Mr. McNiell, banker at Del Norte, and who also used to be in Denver, to inquire about Rev. C. F. Gass of Texas, one of our boys and a classmate of Toll, a young lawyer at Del Norte. It seems they have been corresponding with Gass about going to Alamasa.

McNiell is going to move down there and a large part of the banking and other business from Del Norte, and it is supposed that Alamasa will be a point at which a town will stay and why not? It seems to be a point at which business will concentrate for the San Janan Mines & c., whether the railroad turns southward and is continued along the Rio Grande or not? Now, why haven't you struck at Alamasa, and why should you not see to the matter at once? Gass has been a little discouraged in Texas from his particular field; but he is a splendid boy and his wife as good as she can be. I shall be sorry to have him leave Texas, but if he concludes to go to Alamasa, I shall congratulate Col. But I think that point needs your immediate attention if you can do it on one foot!

This is all I think of to-day,

Yours truly,

H. Kendall.

P. S.- No it is not. The Joint Committee of the two Boards have made their report. One Board has accepted it, and the other will I presume, and it will be published in the papers the wisdom of which I doubt. It is a kind of a smooting iron and leaves thing as much as they were. I don't think it ties our hands much, but they have had a lively time in the Committee.

I was in Philadelphia two Presbyteries last week, and saw the appointment for General Assembly. I heard nothing said except about Perkins, some said that means fight, and Perkins intimated to Mr. Kennedy.

I believe I wrote to you yesterday and told you that the Board declined to appoint Sayre for Conejos, because the Secretaries did not both concur in recommending him. So there is the best available man on the Continent with nothing to do, and the most promising opening in the New Mexico field left vacant.

Yours truly,

H. Kendall.

2 p. p. s. Once more I was told in Philadelphia that nothing had ever damaged the women in that City so much as the publica-

tion of Ellinwood's letter, and that we could go in and form Home Mission Societies all through the City. That there would be a fight in which sustentation will also be an element. But, Perkins, may after all not find the right place to rush in. Did you ever see a pig try to run under the cars when it wanted to cross the track? Which came out second best the pig or the cars.

Your letter in answer to mine about Utah matters came yesterday. Gallagher will go to Ogden. Parks will probably be licensed this week at Washington. Dr. Dickson is there now.

23 Centre Street, New York, N. Y.
April 20, 1878.

Dear Brother Jackson:-

I enclose a slip which you probably have seen. This is from Phoenix, Arizona, and we had a similar onslaught from the Silver City Herald. I presume the same reporter reported your speech that reported mine last Fall. The moral of it all is we must be very careful to say only what we can substantiate, and then as to misrepresentation and lying reporters we must stand it the best we can.

Our letters have crossed each other lately. I note what you say about G. N. Smith and Deebee. Robert Ebnis I have inquired about, and the report is not favorable. Did the same about Otis with a like result. Did you know he is deaf? As to that long man Levi P. Crawford, he is a good man, but I think he is a little too old and a little too slow for Colorado, though he is a capable man.

Merritt write to know why he does not hear from us. We are awaiting to hear from you to inquire about. Hurry up your information. We shall probably commission Parks and wife next Tuesday. But we expected he would be licensed last week at Washington.

Had a letter from Mr. Spitsnigel at Santa Fe a day or two ago. Things do not seem to improve with Smith, though he has paid him that \$500. Dr. Palmer's last report looks more feasible, viz: build of anobe-to do the wood work in vacation and call for only \$500. in cash. The ladies in Geneseo and Rochester Presbytery will raise that.

Ealy came near being shot the other day. In fact there has been nothing done at Lincoln lately, but shoot people. But Ealy is perfectly cool. He has not lived in New Mexico all this time for nothing. Shields writes favorably and encouragingly. The Church erection Board decline to do anything for Brigham City or any other school-house. though they be church edifices as well. What is it best to do about it. Robert writes, encouragingly about Ocate and cenicero, and his licentiates report in spanish.

Dr. Holm and Crowl conclude to stay each at the same

place.

If that Railroad movement on the Raton Pass is not a bogus movement. Trinidad ought to have a good man at once. And if the efforts of the two roads are genuine both eastern and western of the mountain range it is a vast significance to our work. We close the year \$8,841. in debt.

The Joint Committee agreed in their report. Ours read it to our Board and we adopted it and ordered it printed in the Church papers. The Foreign Board did not adopt it, and the Committee was called together again Thursday, this week, but we have not heard anything from it. There was not much point to it. There never is to such compromise papers, but nothing was yielded on our side. We thought we had made two or three good points such as the right to get money from the women as well as the Foreign Board. second, That all the work on this Continent would be Home Missionary work in time! "Wait a little longer". Don't take my word or report anything till you have the thing in hand. Meanwhile, silence and onward are the watchwords.

Yours truly,
H. Kendall.

Washington, D. C.,
April 15, 1878.

Hon. John. H. Mitchell,
United States Senate,

Sir:-

I acknowledge the receipt of letter of the 29th ultimo, referred by you, from Rev. Sheldon Jackson, Editor of the Rocky Mountain Presbyterian, Denver, Col., wherein he states that he is about to return to Alaska to learn more particularly concerning the present condition and the necessities of the aboriginal population, and that after leaving Sitka, he will be dependant upon the United States Revenue Cutter for getting about, and request permission to take passage on such vessel along the Coast of Alaska. In reply, I have respectfully to inform you that there is not a revenue cutter permanently stationed in the District of Alaska. Should Congress make the necessary appropriation, a revenue steamer will be sent to that country. The present season to cruise amongst the seal island to the westward of Sitka. Permission has already been given for two persons to take passage on such vessel. If sent, and instructions will be given the commanding officer to permit Mr. Jackson to take passage thereon, as requested (provided he can be accommodated on board) and visit such places along the coast as the cutter may touch at in the discharge of her legitimate duties, with the understanding no extra expense to the Government shall be incurred thereby, and that Mr. Jackson shall furnish his own subsistence.

The letter forwarded by you is herewith returned.

Very respectfully,

John Sherman.

Secretary.

Princeton, N. J.,

April 15, 1878.

Rev. Sheldon Jackson, D. D.,

Dear Brother:-

I have received your letter and railroad order to-day. I heartily thank you for your kindness in sending me the order and for your suggestion. I shall act on your suggestion, and try to get everything I can. I go to Utah with the intentions of living and dying there if need be, and I hope I shall be able to do something towards rooting out Mormonism and towards introducing the Gospel. From what Mr. McKiece and you write me I am sure the field is a good one if I persevere unto the end. It will take time and patience I know, but I think God will with the call provide all the necessary gifts.

I suppose that there is no use of my loading myself with anything more than my books and clothing as I must get furniture and all household goods much cheaper there than I can have them ordered from my place East of Chicago.

I bid in a good day and I hope you will be prospered with all spiritual and temporal success. Again I thank you for your kind interest and kind suggestions.

Yours in Christ,

George W. Gallagher.

New Brunswick, N. J.,

April 15, 1878.

Dear Sir:-

I was very glad to receive your letter last week. The Seminary closes May 22nd. I will start for Denver immediately after examination for license, probably about the first week in June. I will write to say definitely later.

Thanking you for your invitation, and hoping and praying that I may do good work for the Lord during my year.

I remain,

Harry L. Janeway.

Sante Fe, New Mexico.

April 15, 1878.

Dear Brother:-

I received on Saturday night your letter, which enclosed the copies of letters written by Dr. Lowrie and Dr.

Ellinwood. "Remarkable Letters" indeed! They could be torn to pieces, and thrown back to their authors with such criticisms and contradictions as would make letters and comments a load too heavy to be born.

You inform me that the "Committees of the Boards are arranging the work where it seems to conflict". The only way to arrange it is to put the Foreign Board off this Continent. I mean that the Foreign Board should not be allowed to work within the United States. It can easily occupy all its funds and missionaries in foreign lands.

It seems to me best that the whole "Home Work" should be in the hands of the Home Board, Education, Publication, Church Erection, Freedmen, should be entrusted to "Bureaus" of the Home Board. Economy, system, and unity demand this.

Thank you very much for the information communicated in Saturday's letter.

I return the Mission to you. If you publish it, you can omit, besides what you marked out, what I have marked. I hope it will then be short as you desire.

Fraternally yours,
George G. Smith.

Portland, Oregon,

April 17, 1878.

Dear Dr. Jackson:-

Yours of March 22nd and 29th I received. The former came in time to secure action, on the overture suggested in it. Presbytery adopted it in verbatim. I sent Brady to Victoria to take the British Steamer to stop at Fort Simpson. But he finally took our steamer and touched first at Wrangle, then to Sitka, whence he wrote, after several days of inspection, a letter full of points well taken, giving promise of a practical and deficient character. Here he found a good opening for Miss Kellogg and a home in the Russian priest family. He then returned to work to work up our cause at Wrangel. I look in a few days for another letter from him. Miss Kellogg waited here a few days for the Steamer. Then started for Sitka in good spirits. We secured a free pass for her.

Your projected trip to Alaska is perhaps expedient for exploration chiefly, because you have the promise of great facilities of travel. But I acknowledge some apprehension of overdoing our cause there. My plan contemplates the stationing of Missionaries and teachers at the most eligible points who should gather in the course of a few months and in a deliberate way information of the most trustworthy, nature to direct in a movement to secure government aid for the schools, such information as could be readily supported by military officers and civilians who have the confidence of the public. I have been working to this end. I do not yield my conviction that this

method is most likely to succeed.

But your project, however seems to embrace so many concurrent advantages, that I have written to the Board assenting to a trial of it. Still it does not gain my full confidence. I object to it. First, on the ground of the publicity to which it exposes of movement. Second, the brevity of the time and the circumstance of collecting data, expose them to error. Third, the Bureau of Education is not in good order, and I would not therefore desire to sail under its colors. Fourth, the opinions of persons equally competent to form a judgment differ widely, on the expediency of extended efforts in Alaska. After beginning our work at the most eligible points, prudence dictates our course. A serious blunder would have a very bad effect, especially on this coast. It would not be regarded as a mere inadvertence. I am compelled to write with the utmost brevity. Please supply modifiers, which I certainly entertain and would gladly express.

Mrs. McFarland has got into a little twist about settling the school's and Philip's account. I have simply asked for the plainest summaries of expenditures for Philip and the school, that I might report in the usual tabular form to the Board. Thereupon she has sent me bills and items, which I had no time to examine, nor did I desire anything of the kind. My attempts to go by this and get the summaries did not succeed. I suppose from your reference to Philip's salary that she has written to you about it, which was wholly uncalled for, as of course my purpose is to settle the account in full. I would like to go to Alaska for an excursion, but it is not expedient for so many to go in a missionary capacity. The Presbytery of Oregon sends no man to the Assembly this year.

Our cause is prospering. I received eighty-two into my church the past year, and all our contributions were increased. We gave over \$5700 to the Board of Home Missions.

You will no doubt communicate to the Board the facilities of travel which you have secured for all our missionaries.

Faithfully yours,

A. I. Lindsley.

Fort Wingate, New Mexico,
April 17, 1878.

Dr. Jackson,

Dear Brother:-

We are here to consult Dr. Louderdale in regard to Dr. Palmer's health, which I am grieved to say is completely broken. We left Zuni Friday, taking in Pescado and Nutria farming places on the road, spending sabbath with the people at Nutria, coming into the Fort Monday evening. Dr. Palmer's lungs are both effected most seriously and to such an extent that Dr. Louderdale gives it as his opinion that Dr. Palmer is not now in a condition to carry on the work, and thinks

there is no probability of his being able in the future to do so. I therefore will set about immediately upon my return to Zuni, which will be next Tuesday or Wednesday. Packing up the articles we decide to take back with us to Colorado Springs, and return to that place where I can at least make life more comfortable to Dr. Palmer while he lives. He feels himself that he will not live a great while. I will leave Dr. Londerdale to state his care to you, which he can do and I cannot. His exposure in the woods, sleeping upon stone floors while we were on the road in the attempt to reach Ft. Wingate during the snow bound season. Breathing the dust in which we have lived since in Zuni. All have conspired against him and the result is entire failure of his ability to endure, so with regret beyond description all our hopes dashed to the ground. We reluctantly lay down the work in which we have become so much and so deeply interested, and must turn our faces away from Luni. Dr. Palmer has had a cough all Winter, and suffered more or less, but we neither of us thought the trouble was or would develop into anything so serious. For a month the trouble has been increasing, and for a week very rapidly. Doctor Palmer is very anxious to see us settled in a home again. If he must as he thinks lay down life and its duties, so we both feel we ought to go at once. The work we feel is encouraging just now, as the people are interested in the school and evidently respect and confide in Doctor. We feel that our coming has not been in vain, even now we are permitted to see small results.

I send you the letter you wished me to send for the Convention at the Assembly. I suppose the Board will attempt to send a man as soon as possible to the station to take up the work. We hope to see the land possessed at once.

Dr. Palmer will write you soon as he is able to do so. With regards to Mrs. Jackson, I am,

Yours sincerely,

F. D. Palmer.

Laguna, Valencia Co., New Mexico,
April 16, 1878.

Dear Friend Dr. Kendall:-

Dr. Palmer has left our place this morning on his way home to die. It is so sad. He had just started and got the confidence of the people. A few of whom are actually crying for the loss of him. His Interpreter Pablo Peno could not talk of it in our house yesterday without crying. Dr. Palmer went to Luni a strong man, now he came back dying or rather killed, for I confidently believe that, humanly speaking, it was only want and exposure that did it all. How far the Board is responsible for his condition I have no idea, but probably a few dollars in time would have saved him to the work, and have saved hundreds of dollars in taking him home and sending another in his place. It is all too bad. It makes my

heart sad to think of it. I hope against hope that the Doctor will rally again, but to all appearances he is as good as a dead man. I hope you will at once send a good man to take his place, and carry on the work began at such a sacrifice. I know of no field so inviting. Was I not engaged I should be there as quick as I could make the journey. Be sure you get a good man and then be doubly sure he is provided for. Of course the Board will pay Dr. Palmer's expenses home again.

Our work is going on steadily as usual. I suppose you have got my annual report. The school is well attended. The Church is more than filled on the Sabbath. We are going to enlarge our Chapel this Summer. I hope to have a garden this Summer. The pump feels about twenty-five barrels of water a day when working all the time. I am looking for the box of Type & c. sent from New York in February and hope soon to hear of its being in Albuquerque.

We are pretty well at present though neither of us old people are strong. Still we keep up the round of work. I hope you have got real well by this time. We were real sorry to hear of your long illness. We did not know of it until you were nearly well again.

Remember us very kindly to Mrs. Kendall, and to all Mission House Friends. The Annual Report I consider as covering the quarterly report. If it does not please let me know?

Your servant in Christ,

John Menaul.

Evanston, Wy.

April 18, 1878.

Dear Brother Jackson:-

Day before yesterday, Tuesday, I went to Ogden to look after the interests of our beloved church. I thought it better to go the first of the week, and so make arrangements for the Sabbath. I returned this A. M., and so will give you an account of labors. I found much more to encourage, than I had expected. Many fine business houses are being erected this Spring, and there is every prospect that Ogden will greatly increase in population. Our work must be vigorously prosecuted at once. All seemed very glad to see me, and gave me great encouragement, only no one would become for the support of any one.

I found that Mr. Safford was very popular, had good congregations. I am so surprised that the Congressional Board did not give him a good support for one or two years. I found some Presbyterians, Mr. Case and his brothers from Penna., who have purchased the "Iron Works" from all accounts all earnest Christian men, members of our churches, their families will be here in the Fall. I was sorry not to meet these gentlemen, they were in Salt Lake on business. I have had work to find a Hall to hold meetings in; all well occupied. The one that Brother Safford had was filled with hardware, but I finally engaged it

at the rate of \$200. per year, and became responsible for the amount of \$16.66 payable monthly in advance.

I am sorry that Mr. Egbert our Railroad Superintendent is to leave us, but he will be a great help to Ogden. I believe he is general superintendent of Utah Northern, in hearty sympathy with us. I have to pay my bills at Ogden, which I am not able to do. It costs me \$1.50 to \$2.00 every trip. I think after all, the first month's rent is paid for the Hall the people then will pay it. So if you can send me about \$20. I will try and get along. \$16.66 for the hall, and the rest for my own expenses, then I will have the job over with. Room rent is higher than when Safford was in Ogden, but I get the Hall for the same that he paid. I am to preach the first sabbath in May. The Hall could not be in readiness sooner, but, every one knows that we occupy the field. The seats and desk which the congregation used, all turned over to us. Pray for me.

I feel that God is opening the way. Next week I shall go again and see that everything is in order. I will keep you fully posted. I almost wish I could go myself and live at Ogden.

Yours truly,
F. J. Arnold.

P. S.-For the first year the Board must entirely support the minister.

Department of the Interior,
Washington, D. C.
April 20, 1878.

My dear Sir:-

Your two letters have been received. I am carefully studying the situation, and have gathered some valuable hints but am not yet prepared to indicate the best way to secure your passage. I hope however to be able to give you an explicit opinion in season before the May Assembly.

Have you any interesting news from New Mexico.

Very sincerely yours,
John Eaton.

Rev. Sheldon Jackson,
Denver, Col.

Alamosa, Col.,
April 24, 1878.

Rev. Sheldon Jackson, D. D.,
Denver, Col.

Dear Brother:-

Organized this 2.30 p. m. with twelve members,

of whom eleven were of our Presbyterian Churches. T. Addi-

son Wilson-Elder to be ordained this eight p. m. at preaching. Have secured about \$350. for Church erection, and a north-east corner of 150 feet by 75 feet for lots donated. God willing will commence church erection tomorrow morning. Come here Monday April 22, at four p. m.

Am tired but thankful to God.

Your Brother,

Alex. M. Darley.

P. S.- Preach here again first Sabbath of May, and organize Sunday School.

Ouvay, Colo.,

April 24, 1878.

Rev. Sheldon Jackson, D. D.,

Dear Brother:-

On April 11th I reached Ouvay, after a walk of one hundred miles over the snow covered mountains. I received a hearty welcome by the people who it seems had been looking for me ever since they heard I had promised to come. I have held two services in the Church, and all is moving on in order.

The prospects of this Town and this section of the State are among the very best, So far as I can learn. A good portion of the people are coming over here from Lake City and from other portions of the State a great many are expected, though the roads are heavily. Open town lots are in great demand for building purposes, and command high rates. The prospect is good for a self sustaining church in a reasonable time.

I am glad indeed that I decided to come. One application has been sent in and we were compelled to ask for more than we liked to, because it will be some months at least before the mines yield in abundance, and because every thing is so expensive on account of the high freights. However, I wrote and explained all this to the Board and gave them the items. Oil is \$2.00 per gallon. Potatoes 8¢ per pound. Meat 20¢ per pound. Bacon 55¢ per pound. Milk 12¢ per quart. Butter 75¢ per pound. Eggs 70¢ per dozen. These are some and all else are in the same proportion. Hence we had to ask for one thousand less than Lake, when all is considered and my field will raise more than Lake, for I am sure of five hundred, and supplies are all included in the application, and these are all good and growing points, and all will share with Ouvay in my support.

I sent a full explanation to the Board, but I don't know how they will feel on the subject, and should you deem

best, the people and myself would be glad to have you send an indorsement of our application, as you understand our wants so much better than

This year we have been heavily on the Board, but next year we shall make a large reduction. If it is not worth while to lend a large appropriation for one year when our prospects for the other years are so bright, then there has been a great waste in some of our Churches.

Dr. Bliss will endorse our application, because he knows the situation; but I am not so sure about M. G., and in case, you deem best, it seems to me you had better enlighten them on the subject and the main points. I have gotten no Rocky Mountain Presbyterian of late, and I hope you will send me a copy of the paper every month. Also, please add the name of Miss Libbie Smith, Geneva, N. Y., to your list and consider her a regular subscriber. Let me know the whole amount and I will remit. We intend in buying an organ for our Church, are you in the business? What are your rates? We shall buy where we can do best and that soon.

I regret not being able to attend Presbytery.

Yours &c .,

George N. Smith.

BOARD OF HOME MISSIONS OF THE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH,

New York, N. Y.,

April 24, 1878.

C. M. Parks, Esq.,
Washington, D. C.

My dear Sir:-

I have just written to Dr. Chester in answer to his. Allow me now to say that the Presbytery of Utah has supplied Brigham City and the Board can make no further progress just now. We hope to see the Commissioner for that Presbytery at the Assembly at Pittsburg the middle of May, and learn more particularly respecting the interests of Salt Lake Valley. Progress then can be made more wisely.

The proposition you make in your letter to Dr. Jackson for school at Brigham City, viz: \$1300 per annum for yourself and Mrs. Parks together with travelling expenses and rent of house, is I fear beyond our present ideas for school work pure and simple. But the information we hope to obtain at the Assembly may change the views.

The Board closes this year with a debt of over \$3000 Don't allow your correspondence with the Board to deter you from making any other arrangements.

As to permanency, The Board never makes or grants for longer than a year at a time.

Most truly and fraternally,
Cyrus Dickson.

BOARD OF CHURCH ERECTION,

25-Centre Street, New York, NY

April 25, 1878.

Rev. Sheldon Jackson, D. D.,
Dear Brother:-

I mailed to you the working plan of the Laramie Church you kindly loaned me. I regret having kept it so long lest you may have needed it. I had a copy taken from it. The picture of the Fort Collins Church I have had Photo Lithographed and it will be in our next annual report. I hope the new church plans we have will greatly aid the Churches in building. I hope you have survived the attack of the Interior. I think it is too bad to have such articles printed.

With best wishes for you in your arduous labors, and thanks for the church plans sent me, I remain,

Yours very truly,

H. R. Wilson, Jr.

Washington, D. C.,

April 25, 1878.

Rev. Sheldon Jackson,
Dear Doctor:-

Since writing you a day or two ago, I received a letter from Dr. Dickson, of which the enclosed is a copy, in answer to one from me urging the Board to act, and it appears that the Board has allowed Brigham City to pass out of their hands, and the field is supplied. The letter is otherwise discouraging to the hopes we had cherished of laboring with you, we had made up our minds to go if we were sent, but it does not appear to be the Lord's will to send us, and we are content. If however the objections Dr. Dickson speaks of should be removed as he suggests, and we are called, we would feel the same duty to go, but we would like some reasonable assurance of permanent duty. We understand the work to be life work. How is it so considered?

Will be glad to hear from you.

Yours truly,

C. M. Parks.

Roswell, Lincoln County, New Mexico,

April 25, 1878.

Rev. Sheldon Jackson, D. D.,
Denver, Col.

Dear Doctor:-

I am happy to be able to communicate to you from this point. Am spending a week in this section, and have

preached twice, once on Sabbath and last night to some cow-boys who just returned from Arizona. I find one of them was at school at Elders Ridge where I was once a student.

Thought I would call your attention to Lincoln now, so that you might have a little time to look up another man for Lincoln. I find so much to do since coming down here, and the people so anxious to have me settle in this neighborhood that I feel certain they will do much to help on the cause of Christ. They are about to start a settlement, and they say the first thing to go up is a school and church house. Good. I can get a Sunday School as large as I now have in Lincoln right here. They are anxious for books and papers. There are about twenty children of Sunday School age right here most of them Americans. Some have not been to Church for ten or fifteen years. If I live will visit there in August.

If they will stop shooting men in Lincoln I will try to open a school right away. I think the Court which is now in session will regulate affairs some. But it is very hard for me to say, because I don't know; the war may go on after the Court adjourns. I see all the news papers in the Territory have become slanderous.

I can make it next year if I come down here without help from the Board. I think. There are three brothers here, who will see that I do not suffer. The Lord has given them abundance of this world's goods. They are the sons of pious parents, who were members of the Cumberland Presbytery Church.

I have not preached at Fort Staunton yet, although I have no doubt the Colored Soldiers would like to have a Minister come and preach to them. The officers have not much desire for anything but cards, billiards and whiskey. At least it appears so from observation. About fifteen men have been killed or wounded since we came to Lincoln. It is even dangerous to hold religious meetings in the town for if they are public and both parties come, there is the greatest danger of shooting.

If another man would go there, it would be company for me, and in a year more, I think we could find fields for three or more men to form a Presbytery. There is a place below here called "The Seven Rivers", it is a bad place, but there is a store there now, and it is well known by everybody. People are taking up ranches there, Also, the Felix River is being settled upon.

I received another lot of religious papers from you I supposed. Excuse paper, adios.

Will write soon again if I live. O'h for a thousand tongues to preach the Gospel.

T. F. Ealy.

Hackettstown, N. J.,
April 25, 1878.

Rev. Sheldon Jackson, D. D.,
Denver, Col.

My dear Brother:-

When yours of the third reached here, I was away from home, having taken my wife to Philadelphia for medical aid. She has been quite unwell for months, and now seems greatly prostrated. The Doctor says from over work. She is yet in Philadelphia, but I go down tomorrow hoping to find her well enough to come home with me.

In regard to your points of operation, I would say, that while I am interested in both Prescott and Ogden, and should not hesitate to seriously consider either of them. Nothing can be determined on until we see how Mrs. McCauley comes out of her prostrated condition. It might be that a change of climate would be the very thing that would put her on her feet again. How is Prescott to be reached? Is there rail to it? And from what point on the Union Pacific?

Will you be kind enough to inform the Superintendent of my Sabbath School, Mr. William S. Douglas, what the school can definitely do to aid you in your mission work. They can raise about \$250. or possibly \$300. a year. Now anything in which they can help you to that amount, say support a teacher, or something of that kind, they would like to know of. Write to Mr. Douglas at once.

I was greatly surprised to receive by to-day's mail a letter from Dr. Dickson, saying that the Board of Home Missions had on Tuesday last elected me Superintendent of Missions in Texas, and asking me to come to the Office to confer with Dr. Kendall and himself. I am going in the morning, and shall then also talk with them about Prescott. What are the functions of a Mission Superintendent? Texas is a vast field for a man to spread himself on.

My wife and myself are both desirous of doing the masters will. But she fears that a Superintendent would leave her much alone, and that in a new country would not be agreeable.

My pastorage here closes on the first Sabbath in June, and yet the people are very loth to give us up. Have you ever written to Miss Tiffany of Mexico, N. Y.? Will you be at the Assembly?

Praying God to bless you in your work, and that he may guide us all to his glory, I am fraternally,

Yours & c.,

Thomas McCauley.

23-Centre Street, N. J.,
April 25, 1878.

Rev. Dr. Jackson, D. D.,
Denver, Col.

Dear Brother:-

At the April Meeting of the BOARD OF HOME MISSIONS of the PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH, the following action was taken on the applications from your Synod.

	Date of Con.	Am't asked	Am't Gtd.
G. W. Leonard	7/9/78	\$1000.	\$1000.
G. W. Leonard,	6/1/78	700.	700.
R. G. McNiece,	5/1/78	1000.	500.
S. L. Gillespie, (6 mos)	6/1/78	800.	700.
F. L. Arnold,	4/1/78	1000.	1000.
G. R. Bird,	1/1/78	800.	600.

Mrs. Coyner, Misses Honey & Anderson, Mr. Bird-Deferred.
H. Kendall,)
Cyrus Dickson,) Sec's.

Del Norte, Colorado,
April 26, 1878.

Rev. Sheldon Jackson, D. D.,
Denver, Col.,

Dear Brother Jackson:-

Got home at 6 p. m. yesterday after surveying the lots; letting the job of building the church, buying foundation, and setting the men to work on the ground and building.

As I may have to go "on call" to Alamosa any day next week, please send if possible by return mail, both George's and my half fares on the Denver & Rio Grande Railroad to me here.

George Preaches for me here, and I at Alamosa (D.V.) on May 5, 1878.

Yours & c.,
Alex. M. Darley.

Springville, Utah,
April 26, 1878.

Rev. Sheldon Jackson, D. D.,
Denver, Col.

Dear Dr. Jackson:-

You have been disappointed perhaps in not receiving from me the promised communication from Lady Teachers Influence Among the Mormons. I, too, have been greatly disappointed in not finding them to write it.

Since returning from Presbytery, I have had unusual demand upon my time, and the present circumstances of my family and official labors preclude the possibility of my sending it in time for the May number of the Rocky Mountain Presbyterian.

Am in constant search for some place in which to conduct our School this Summer. As yet all efforts are unavailing. This quarter closes one week from to-day; am constantly besieged by old patrons and many others to know when next quarter begins & c. There is not a place where one of our Missionaries needs a building more than I do. \$1000. to \$1500. will secure it. I ought to have \$1500. if it is to be furnished as well as simply built.

Brother McHiece here yesterday. He don't like the Johnson Home. Thinks it could be better to build Chapel on one lot. I hardly agree with him, but am not particular which is done, if we but get one or the other. Family well. Trust you have entirely recovered the use of your ankle. When shall we expect you here?

Kind regards from all to you and yours,

Yours & c.,

George A. Leonard.

Rochester, N. Y.,

April 26, 1878.

Rev. Sheldon Jackson, D. D.,
Denver, Col.

Dear Sir:-

Your letter to Mrs. Little about a remittance in the interest of Home Missions has been received. Shall we send you \$40. or \$50. in the interest of the Alaskan Mission, it would be a pleasure and probably a stimula to the children to know just what their contributions is to be used for. I think from what we read of the field, that the children would be interested in the work.

Please let us hear from you again.

Yours truly,

W. H. Merriman.

Chairman of Committee.

P. S. I sent you to-day one of our circulars of an association which was entered about eleven months ago, and already has over \$500,000. insurance, which will not exceed \$10/ to \$12. per year on each \$10. So men of a small means it affords a small amount of insurance. At a very low figure, indeed at actual cost, and is much like Fire Insurance.

Las Vegas, New Mexico.

April 29, 1878.

Rev. Sheldon Jackson, D. D.,
Denver, Col.

Dear Brother Jackson:-

I write to say that the box is just at

hand and opened now within a few minutes. There seems to have been considerable detention at El. More. We are very thankful for the donation and for the interest in the matter which yourself and Mrs. Jackson have taken. It will be a great help and a great boom to us. We had begun to need some things very much. I am hard up (You know what that language means perhaps) much of the truth. The push which Presbytery made for \$1200. last Fall, did not succeed. The little monthly sheet which I am publishing is going to cost me something over and above & c. We are thankful of the privilege of continuing our work, and feel pretty confident that our influence is increasing at several points.

With many thanks again to you and all, I am,

Yours very truly,

J. A. Annin.

Salt Lake City, Utah,
April 30, 1878.

Rev. Shelton Jackson, D. D.,
Denver, Col.

Dear Dr. Jackson:-

How is it? Can you get me a half fare permit from Omaha to Chicago, good until June 30th? If so, it will save me so much from the Assembly's fund. The Chairman of the Committee at Pittsburgh writes me that they have made no arrangement for reduced fare from Omaha to Chicago. Have it sent to you, and I can get it in Denver. Expect to start East a week from to-day. No word from Cook yet.

I returned from a Southern trip last Thursday Evening. The Two McMillans are doing a great work in San Pete County, D. J. and myself spent Saturday and Sabbath in Marti and (get ready now to give three cheers) organized a church of twelve there, ten of them, apostates! Get out that Alaska Flag of yours, and whoop round a little on this occasion!

We had a much interesting time there on Sabbath, the 21st, had preaching, organization, change to the new church, election of three elders, and communion, all at one service. As McMillan said, "It means men then the organization of a dozen churches in the East". Joe McMillan and his wife are a splendid team for that field. The Mormons don't like to fool around Joe, for he weighs one hundred and ninety-seven pounds, and is six feet, two inches. The people seem greatly attached to them. He's settling and will be licensed in the Fall. I say, will be for the man is not made for the rules out this way, as you know.

Are you getting the size of those Alaska Ice-bergs reduced any? Gallagher writes that he'll be at Ogden about June 10th. Brother Arnold has already been here and rented a hall. Good-bye until next week.

Sincerely your friend:

Rob't G. McNiece.

Evanston, Wyoming Territory,
April 30, 1878.

Rev. Sheldon Jackson, D. D.,
Denver, Col.

Dear Brother Jackson:-

I gave my word of honor that the first rent for Hall should be paid this month \$15.66, so I have had to borrow the money. I find it difficult to pay my board in Ogden, and advance this money; I very much need money to send Conroy for a suit of clothes; but when I went to Ogden, I felt that we must keep that field for Berther Gallagher. I told the people that he would be sure to be there in June next. So I am keeping the field for him, and working it up the best I can. Since this Judge Peck trouble I get very little here, and nothing from any other point.

To-day I received my Commission for another year granting me only \$700. I do not know certainly whether we shall stay. If we do leave, we would not stay. All the members of my congregation say, "When you leave us, we will certainly give up."

I still think Judge Neck will return, but if not, President Hayes has assured me, that we shall have a good man.

Yours truly,

F. L. Arnold.

Logansport, Indiana,
May 2, 1878.

Rev. Sheldon Jackson, D. D.,
Denver, Col.

Dear Brother:-

I intended writing before you left home, midst other duties, it was put off, until the present moment.

The first and most important to us is, do you go back home this way, and do you stop off with us over Sabbath over night, or from one train until the next. We are selfish enough to want you over the Sabbath if possible, if it is possible to stop let me know in time, I will let our neighboring Societies know of your coming, so they may have a chance to meet you.

Our new Church is to be dedicated the second Sabbath in June. Dr. & Mrs. Griffith must have help she is so anxious for another lady from Logansport to go out to her. She herself is without means, what is the best that she can get there with. A few of us are determined she shall go, if we can get her there. She will be the third one from our Church in the Missionary field. You know Miss Wheeler of Monroe, she is one of our Church members. We are very proud of the work she is doing.

Another request, do you want any more lady teachers

there. Is one of the Lord's chosen followers, that lives at Monticello a going; lady has taught three years, a graduate of Oxford, who, is, very anxious to go into the Missionary work.

How I should like to be at the Meeting on Friday? Times are so hard with us on account of building, that it seemed best to stay at home. Our prayer is, that the Lord will be with you and give you a glorious meeting, and that much good may come from it.

Mr. Schofield requests me to say once more, not to fail to stop if possible.

Hoping to see you soon.

Your Sister in Christ,
Mrs. L. M. Schofield.

Mt. Pleasant, Utah,
May 2nd, 1878.

Rev. Sheldon Jackson, D. D.,
Denver, Col.

Dear Brother Jackson:-

McNiece came down and I took him to Manti with me when I went to organize that Church. On Sabbath 21st, ult., we organized with twelve members, ten converted mormans, and my brother and his wife. Five children were baptized. It was a significant event. These apostates have taken a perilous step, but I am satisfied that everyone of these apostates is true steel. They are sturdy Scandnavians. They act intelligently and with caution. The elders elected are Theodore Friese for one year, Evasmus Miller for two years, and Oli Nelson for three years. The members are all heads of families, what is unusual in all denominations, a majority are men.

I am happy over that event. There are more converted Mormans in that one Church than in all the Churches in Salt Lake City put together. This is gratifying for the reason that many good brethen in the East who refused me aid or sympathy and tried to dissuade me from "Wasting money and time with these reprobates" predicted disaster. Now I should like for these pious econonists to know that our noble wealthy Presbyterian Church has "wasted" only \$75. in the conversion of those ten families, and the planting of Presbyterianism in the midst of this wilderness of sin. It might be comforting to another class of grumblers, who opposed my plan of Mission Schools to know that the above mentioned \$75. of mission money spent on that field was for the support of a lady teacher. Her husband was not commissioned. They two have taught more than a hundred scholars in their mission school, and gathered them and their parents into their school room (which is a rented hall) on Sabbath afternoons, and taught them the bible, and sung and prayed with them. During the period of their labor they have received in money and provision from the patrons of the school about \$170. Thus they have lived and supported themselves

and two children and accomplished these things on an income of less than \$250. But it must be remembered that in doing so, they have consumed what substance they brought with them, and I have impoverished myself in helping them. What on earth does our Board mean? They have at last commissioned him, but have not remitted a cent of money. Do they know that we are helpless, and in the midst of the worst enemies? If we had a few, well-to-do gentiles to lean upon we might get along. As it is it looks to me like the Board regards our services as worthless, and are trying to starve us out. They have accomplished their purpose. As I discover no inclination on their part to do us any sort of justice, and as this work demands good and prompt support such as the Board refuses to give to any man from West of Allegheny. I urge you to procure as soon as possible some pet from either Princeton or Union (if one can be who will tackle this field in its present stage of development) whom the Board will support. Much as I love this Western work I am willing to yield it to some one whom the Board will delight to honor.

Now you may think me severe. Just notice a few facts. My salary is small barely sufficient; yet the Board has never paid or offered to pay one dollar of my travelling expenses. They ordered me to take the place of Welch in whose salary was \$1400, and to incur the additional labor and expenses of the oversight of the San pete work. This all I did will full faith in the integrity of the Board. But they left me to do it on \$1000., and I went to the General Assembly under protest, for I was strapped. I had not a garment but what was patched. But so I went, when Dr. Kendall asked me in the Assembly rooms to go to New York, I had learned not to trust anything less than a promise. I told him I could not afford it. He told me my expenses should have been paid. I went, and paid my own expenses with borrowed money. I procured my brother's services with Dr. Kendall's advice, and have been left to pay his expenses. But this is not all. By their acts the Board has not only informed me that my services were not worth their bare expenses, but they have testified to the Church that I am not fit for an ordinary pulpit. I am to-day bankrupt, disgraced before the eyes of the Church. My friends all mortified and the climax, I will not mention, but it was irreparable injury to me. And yet they want me to stultify myself by writing Missionary letters. If I am a mere foundling as they seem to think, unworthy of the bread I eat, of insignificant labors, surely the productions of my pen would weaken the cause they were intended to advance. I beg pardon for regaling you with these facts, but I desire you as a trusted and a beloved friend to understand my position.

Under the circumstances mother's impaired health seems a providential indication of duty. Although she is offered elegant homes with her brothers, both ex-Governors of Tennessee and wealthy, still she prefers the work in which she has spent

so many years of her life. She is willing to sacrifice herself on this field, but I am not willing that she should starve to death. Nor do I think the Lord requires it. My duty to her is intended in the Declaration "He that provided not for his own especially those of his own house hath denied the faith is worse than an infidel".

I shall await your reply.

Yours in the best bonds,

G. J. McMillan.

Princeton, N. J.,
May 6th, 1878.

Rev. Sheldon Jackson, D. D.,
Denver, Col.

Dear Brother:-

Thanks for yours of the 30th ult. No, please Brother, I must send article direct to Missionary Review, when he wishes to favor it. I don't see the Banner. The Interior bites itself. I am inclined to think you are wise and more dignified to say nothing to such attacks, but keep on preaching and writing Home Missions. I may poke the Interior gently in an Article on "Boundaries of the Home and Foreign Fields" in my next number, if I get it ready in time. Some (100 I think) of our ablest Pastors in the East are with me on this.

Yours sincerely,
W. G. McNiece.

Ogden, Utah,
May 6th, 1878.

Rev. Sheldon Jackson; D. D.,
Denver, Col.

Dear Brother Jackson:-

Matters look as favorable here as we could expect. The cases, all very honorable, noble christian gentlemen, and all said to be wealthy. We had a most fearful wind storm; it was said the worse they have ever known, and yet we had fifteen horses.

I come again in two weeks. Will keep you well posted. O, there needs so much judicious work and earnest prayer.

Mr. Peebles is in real earnestness, and also his father-in-law, Mr. Graham. Mr. Servalin will see Mr. McNiece tomorrow, and I will try and leave Mr. Case's interview to him in Bosett.

Yours,

F. L. Arnold.

Greeley, Colorado,
May 6th, 1878.

The Woman's Home and Foreign Missionary Societies of the Presbyterian Church of Greeley was organized Nov. 1877.

The following officers were elected:

Mrs. Eli Annis, President,
Mrs. Alfred Baxter, Vice-President,
Mrs. R. G. Thompson, Secretary,
Mrs. David Brockway, Treasurer.

It nows numbers nineteen members.

Subscribers for seven copies of Woman's work for Woman.
Meets every month for prayer and dissemination of Missionary intelligence.

At Dr. Jackson's request we send this to the Presbytery.
Please find enclosed twenty dollars to apply on the Astec Mission.

Mrs. R. G. Thompson, Secretary.

Rev. M. Bliss, will you be so kind as to hand this in to Presbytery.

Mrs. R. G. Thompson.

New York, N. Y.,
May 7th, 1878.

Rev. Sheldon Jackson, D. D.,
Rocky Mountain Presbyterian,
Denver, Col.

Dear Sir:-

Your favor of the 2nd inst. is received. I have forwarded the pass for Rev. S. Hall Young to him, care of Rev. Gogal Young, D. D., Parkersburgh, W. Va.

In reply to your question as to whether our line would be willing to give your Missionaries for Oregon and Washington ten half rates, I am instructed by the President, H. Villard, to say, that we will do so, and he had forwarded the card you sent to me to our Agent at San Francisco, Cal. with instructions to furnish such as may bring the Cards signed by you with half rate passage.

Yours respectfully,
W. H. Starbuck.

Malad City, Idaho Territory,
May 7th, 1878.

Rev. Sheldon Jackson, D. D.,
Denver, Col.

Dear Brother Jackson:-

A few lines about this new field and the work we have begun here may not be without interest. We organized the Sunday School the following sabbath after you were here, (March 2nd) with fifty, and it has since ranged as high as sixty-two. An important feature of this work is the verses of Scripture and Catechism which the pupils are committing to memory. Last Sabbath one pupil had as high as fifty-eight verses. And as Superintendent, I have noticed with pleasure that the Westminster Short Cathedral has a fair share of attention.

Through the kindness of Brother Irwin of Fort Trangel. we have distributed to every pupil in the school; also, some tracts which he sent us were highly appreciated by the children, and through them may reach their parents to their spiritual profit. At the first preaching service, we took up a collection to start the Sunday School in Lesson Leaves, Papers & Etc. We received over \$7.00 and invested in fifty copies of lesson leaves, and nearly thirty copies of the "Sunbeam" for six months. We need more papers for the larger pupils which we will be able to get in a few weeks from the liberal collections of the pupils.

Mr. E. J. Davies also generously advanced money for two dozen "Gospel Songs", which he sold and gave away among the pupils. We were much in need of bibles, and in order to supply what was lacking in the Depository at Corinne, Brother Gillispie kindly sent me a dozen from his own Church. I can do a good work here at Calporteur as soon as I get a stock of Bibles and Tests. I hope to report a Society here in the course of a year.

We opened our day school on the fifteenth of April, and after three weeks our roll has reached forty-two. We open by reading the Scripture and repeating the Lord's Prayer in concert. It would do you good to see the heartiness with which the children enter into these exercises. It occasioned a little talk among sceptical outsiders at first, but aroused no serious opposition.

I have incidentally learned, to my hearts delight, that some of the children are using the Lord's Prayer, which we have taught them in their closets. So you see that the Lord is rejoicing us early with his mercy.

My health has been better and worse, since I came here but I feel much encouraged, and if God wants us health and praise we hope to have something more to write hereafter.

Sister Lizzie arrived April 23rd, and has been a great help to me in the school as well as in house-keeping. She has taught more or less every day since her arrival.

If you find any items in this for your paper, you may publish them.

With kindest regards, I am,
Your Brother in Christ,
E. P. Welsh.

Animas City, Colorado,
May 9, 1878.

Rev. Sheldon Jackson, D. D.,
Denver, Col.

Dear Brother:-

To-day I have been disappointed in procuring a horse for visitation and hence, am employing the time writting. Now, write to you to let you know how I got through and how the place seems to me.

We had a very successful trip, came by the way of Conejcs and Terra Amarilla, the only road yet passable with a team. We made the trip in fourteen days and one half, had no snow, no storms, no break-downs, rivers were low.

The people were anxious for a preacher, and received me gladly. Some whose names were on the list are not here now, but their places will soon be supplied.

The town is larger than I supposed and very quiet, yet growing I think. It has many dwelling houses, three or four stores of good sizes and good stock, hotel, two or three saloons, bakery, two meat markets, Post Office money order Office soon, Tin shop, hardware store, blacksmith shops & etc. The society is exceptionally good. More families coming in.

We use the school-house for preaching. Next Sabbath, I preach for the first and start a sabbath school. I will preach here every other sabbath, and switch every other day between the Pinkerton neighborhood and Parrot, except such times as I may go to Pinos School house or Silverton. My first effort will be to complete the organization. Some are quite anxious to have a Church building and all will go in and help in some way. Mr. Cooper will give \$100. worth of lumber to the first who build a church.

If we get encouragement from the Board of intention or erection, we will soon have a house. All are anxious about Sabbath School books, if you see a chance to say a good word for us, we will pay transfer expenses for old libraries.

There is much coal in the region, Elder Keough is sick, but is getting better. Write if not too busy.

With my best regards to your wife and family and friends,

Yours in Christ,

W. C. Beebe.

P. S.-Come down at the earliest opportunity, write before coming so we will be expecting you. Mr. Cooper wonders why you don't write.

William.

FAIRPLAY CHURCH HISTORY.

Although the attention of the Church had been frequently called to the South Park Mines as a field for Christian

labor, no action was taken until the Summer of 1872, when Rev. Sheldon Jackson visited Fairplay and on August 11, 1872, organized a Presbyterian Church with the following members.

J. Marshall Paul and Mrs. L. V. Pane, Episcopal Church, Denver.
Mrs. Jennie McLaughlin, Presbyterian Church, Clark, O. Miss Clara Hodges, Presbyterian Church, N. E., New York. J. Van Doren Presbyterian Church, Lawrence, Kansas. Mrs. & Mr. C. S. Van Doren, Congressional Church, Denver. Chas. Stearns, Presbyterian Church, Lawrence, Kansas.

Rev. D. E. Finks, 1874 Missionary. June 18, 1874.

L. W. Lewis, Robert B. Chappel, J. H. Meyers were elected trustees in place of H. W. Hodges, J. Marshall Paul & Thomas Winter.

Church building was dedicated October 4, 1874. Sermon by Rev. Sheldon Jackson, Dedication Prayer by Rev. D. E. Finks.

Lewis W. Lewis was ordained first Ruling Elder of the Church, March 7, 1875.

Rev. D. E. Finks left on account of his wife's health October 15, 1875.

July 30, 1876, Rev. W. P. Teitsworth was unanimously chosen, stated supply for one year.

August 19, 1876. Matthew McLaughlin was elected and on August 27th ordained Ruling Elder of the Church.

Rev. W. P. Teitsworth left 1877.

Rev. E. P. Welsh was sent June 1877.

Left on account of health November 30, 1877.

Rev. Carl More commenced May 10, 1878.

May 10, 1878.

Rev. Sheldon Jackson, D. D.,
Denver, Col.

Dear Sir:-

Your note of May 2nd received. It is too late to collect statements of what women of Wisconsin have done the past year for Home Missions. Our churches are so very weak, most of them are Home Mission Churches, that we have advocated only one organization in this State, reporting Foreign work to forty-eight McCormick Block, Chicago, and Home Mission work to 23-Centre Street, New York, N. Y., In Calvary Presbyterian Church we donate all our energies for the months of September, October and November to Home Missions, meeting monthly. Foreign collections are made by envelope system. We recommended a similar course to all our Societies.

As far as I know, the most efficient workers in Wisconsin are enlisted in Foreign Missionary work, viz: Mrs. G. B. Stewart, Milwaukee State Presbyterian, Mrs. Anna Williams Beloit, Presbyterian, Milwaukee Presbyterian Society, Mrs. A. L. Hoyt, Ford du Lac Presbyterian, Winnebago Presbyterian Home Society, Mrs. Anna Whitehorn, Winomince, Michigan Presbyterian Superior Presbyterial Society, Mrs. D. H. Tullis, Madison Pres-

byterian, Wisconsin River Presbyterian Society, Mrs. S. R.
 Lapham, LaCrosse Presbyterian, Chippewa Presbyterian Society.
 Mrs. A. H. Veddor.
 State Cor. Sec'y.

Rawlings, Wyoming,
 May 11, 1878.

Rev. W. E. Hamilton,
 Laramie City, Wyoming.

Dear Brother:-

There is a considerable feeling and desire here in favor of getting a Presbyterian Minister to come and labor with us, providing an appropriation can be secured from Presbytery to help support him. The fact that we have a Church Building is one strong point in our favor. The Methodist Minister here has managed to live without help, but receives an average less than \$50. per month. This sum I am sure could be paid regularly and with much less difficulty to one of our Ministers than to a Methodist. There are only two Methodist families here, and both are quite poor, and to make the labor still harder there is a strong prejudice existing against that denomination. All or at least a goodly portion of our people, who sympathize with the Church generally or with christianity contribute their mite, but seem to do so simply from the fact that we ought to have a Minister and must do this because it is the only alternative to take this or do without. There are eight to ten families whose natural inclination and sympathies are toward the Presbyterians. There are also several families who have been baptists, and quite a number who are episcopals, and all seem to be desirous that we should have a presbyterian minister. The Methodists themselves urge it, and I think wisely, they see the advantage to be gained by the cause by reason of the popular sentiment. I presume that unless the Church is filled by some other denomination the Methodists will send a Minister here again, but he will have a very poor support unless Conference helps him. I would not advise a Presbyterian to come unless he secured help from Presbytery, because the Church people are too poor to ask them to do more than \$40. or \$50. per month, and keep good feeling. The town certainly should have a live energetic minister, yet he should be a man, who is prudent in his actions and conservative in doctrine. In other words, he must not carry too much orthodox doctrine into the pulpit. The work is so Missionary like in its aspects, that the man must be liberal enough and exercise enough practical common sense to adapt himself to the situation which would be that he was all the time ministering to people among which are the different known beliefs, and perhaps some without any belief (however I doubt if any such exist through some claim there is) The people as a class are liberal and generous, and

so far we have avoided any clashing of the different denominations. We want a minister here of course and if we can't get what we want, must except what we can get, but we think this, that the Presbyterians can do better for us and do more good for the cause than any other and they are more able to help financially. You understand our people and western character so thoroughly that you can appreciate the situation. Our people generally (without a single exception to my knowledge and I think I know all) would like very much to have you come here, yet, however much we would like to have you (and I am sure you would be preferred to any other person) we feel that you are better off where you are than you would be here, and for that reason would not ask you to come and leave your present prosperous and pleasant work for what we could offer. I believe this also, that you could do more good among us than any other man we could get, but this is getting too long, so I must come to the point. I started out for to wit: To ask you for your advice what in your judgment is best for us to do and what you think can be done and if you can help us with Presbytery, and whether you will do us the favor of trying what can be done.

I would be pleased to hear from you at your earliest convenience, and to have you express yourself freely on the situation and prospects. Your opinion and advice will receive greater respect and consideration at the hands of our people than from any other source.

I do not write this by formal authority but after consultation with most of our people for the purpose of finding out if possible what we can do.

The conference Methodist Episcopal year closes
August 1st, I am,

Respectfully yours & c.,
G. C. Smith.

Fort Wrangle, Alaska,
May 11, 1878.

Rev. Sheldon Jackson, D. D.,
Denver, Col.

Dear Brother:-

I cannot write you a long letter this time; I usually have your letter written before the Steamer comes. This time she has gone to San Francisco for repairs and we did not look for her till the last of next week. But she slipped in this morning very unexpectedly. It has made me quite nervous as I have none of my mail ready. I feel very sorry indeed about that letter of mine you speak of being published. I had no thought Mrs. Graham would publish it, neither did I think of their being any impropriety of my mentioning your name untill you explained the matter. Rest assured I shall be guarded hereafter. I feel much depressed since the mail came at not hearing from the "Board". It seems very strange that

I am now in the fourth quarter and have not received a dollar.

of salary since coming here. I am so much in debt and it does annoy me terribly. Dr. Lindsley wrote me by the April Steamer that he had settled up all the debts of the School, Philip's account & etc with the Board. Why do you think the Board has acted so strangely with me. Are they dissatisfied with me, or why is it? I have sent my reports regularly but hear nothing from them. Then my Commission ought to be renewed by the First of August, or there will be another long delay.

In one of my letters to you during the Winter, I sent you one dollar to pay the subscription of the "Rocky Mountain Presbyterian" for one year for my sister Mrs. J.D. Purcell of Sterling, Kansas. I wrote to her that I had done so. This mail I received a letter from her, saying, she had never received any copies of the paper. Did you not get the letter containing the one dollar?

It was very kind indeed in Mrs. Spaulding to send me the nine dollars for me. I will write to her, but fear I cannot this mail, I also had a letter from Miss Mallory to-day about the box. Mrs. Lindsley writes me that Mr. Mallory, whom you met in Portland, is lying at the point of death in Arizona.

May 15. I am much obliged for the letters on Alaska you sent me, and also for the bundle of papers sent. Mr. Vanderbilt told me you wrote him that you would be here in July. I am so glad. You had not said anything in your last letters to me, and I was afraid you had given it up. You ought to come expecting to stay over one Steamer. Will Dr. Dickson be with you? We have had a "Revenue Cutter" here for three weeks. They say we will have a man of war soon. Some of the people are very happy, and think we are much safer. But I think we were safe enough before. At least I had no fears. Mrs. Vanderbilt expects to go down on the June Steamer. I don't know but what I shall go then. I will miss her so much. She wants you to be sure and call to see her in Portland.

Two weeks ago Shaaks the head chief of these Indians, came home sick with hemorrhage of the lungs. He only lived a few days after getting home. He died on Wednesday, and they kept the body lying in state (or rather sitting for they had him sitting up) until Sabbath day. They sent for me to decide for them, whether they should burn the body or burry it. I told them if I was to decide the matter, I would say to burry it. They said then it should be burried. Sabbath they sent for me to go to the funeral, said, "They wanted me to come and pray like white people" so I took some of my people and went and had religious services. They seemed very much pleased. None of Shaaks people have ever attended church. Saturday evening I talked to the new chief Shaaks brother. He promised me he would come to church. Said he wanted to learn about God.

Mr. Davidson took some very good pictures of Shaaks

after he was dead, and just as he sat with all his indian fixtures around him. Since Mr. Brady left us we have been trying to do the best we can. But the Sabbath service is hard work. Since the "Revenue Cutter has been here, we have had efficient aid from one of the officers, a Mr. Mitchell, who is a christian man.

Almost every day I feel more and more the need of a home for my girls. This week I rescued one of my girls of eleven years from a white man on the street. He did not see me coming. He had his arm around the child and tried to get her to go to his house. Another case was brought to my notice of a young girl, one of my scholars who is an orphan. A man occupying a prominent position, went to the house where she stays and held out a handful of money, and rattled it before her eyes, telling her she could have all the money she wanted to buy nice clothes if she would go with him. O'h if the christian women in the East could see these things as I do, they would feel the great importance of such a work here among our poor heathen sisters, and I am sure the means would soon be forth coming both to build a home and carry it on. My school is not nearly so full now as in the Winter. Most of the men and boys have gone away to work. I now have mostly women and children.

We are looking forward anxiously and hopefully for the arrival of our Minister. I suppose we need hardly look for him on the June Steamer, but trust we will see them in July.

Mr. Brady sent Willy Dickson home when the Cutter returned from Sitka. Said he could do nothing with him, I am very sorry. Mrs. Dickinson was much pleased to receive the papers you sent. She sends thanks and kind regards. But my letter has already grown to long.

Love to Mrs. Jackson and the little girls.

Yours sincerely,

A. R. McFarland.

P. S.- Can you spare me two or three copies of the Rocky Mountain Presbyterian for April? Will be much obliged.

Washington, D. C.,
May 13, 1878.

Drs. Kendall & Dickson:-

Messrs:-

In answer to yours of the 7th we reply that we accept your proposition to send us to Logan, Utah as Missionaries at a salary of \$1000. and wife at \$300. together with what proceeds the school may yield, provided you will pay our traveling expenses to the field. This we are compelled to make

a condition of the agreement as the breaking up and outfit will consume all our ready means. And further Dr. Chester has conferred with the brethren of the Presbytery and they are entirely willing to license me to preach, but they want assurances of my appointment. Now if you can add to your proposition the travelling expenses above referred to, please send me note for B. F. Bittenzer the clerk of our Presbytery saying that an appointment will be made upon a license granted by the Presbytery. As our Presbytery meets at an adjourned Spring meeting on the 20th, your early attention will accommodate.

Please reply,

Respectfully,
Calvin Parks.

May 13, 1878.

Rev. Sheldon Jackson, D. D.,
Denver, Col.

Dear Friend:-

The school is increasing so that I wish you to do all you can to have the Society send Tim Spruce back with Mr. Roberts. I am overworked, but I feel like saying, "Praise God from whom all blessings flow". My school is increasing constantly in Mexican pupils. Yesterday one came to me from Santa Cruz and this week will bring a pupil from Jomada del Muerta. My average attendance now will be at least twenty, which in regard to men, is a great gain on last year. I find my teaching in regard to the progress of pupils, is considered superior to the Brothers and Sisters of the Catholic Schools, hence I am gathering in from there.

Yesterday I had reading in my own room with several who came, and one man bought a testament. A new thing for Sta Fe. I can give away, but have not yet sold enough to pay the freight. Question: ought I to sell a bible on Sunday?

I would be happy to get the into flourishing condition and be able to furnish soap, towel and a fine tooth brush and comb to each of my future legislators and governors.

Yours in the work more I hope than ever. The fire has been good for me.

M. E. Griffiths.

Murrysville, Pa.,
May 15, 1878.

Rev. Sheldon Jackson, D. D.,
Denver, Col.

Dear Sir:-

The Ladies Missionary Society of Murrysville Presbyterian Church as well as the congregation, would be very much

pleased to have you come out and deliver a lecture on "Home Missions" to us, either on Sabbath or any other day or evening it would suit you. My brother Rev. R. L. Stewart of Golden, Colorado wished us to have you visit his native home, and thought it would do us a great deal of good to hear you on that subject. I'm sure we would be very glad to have the pleasure of hearing you and seeing you. If you can come, please let our Pastor, Rev. G. W. Sporgun know and what day you will come. We will be happy to entertain you at our house, and shall expect you to stop with us while here.

Yours very truly,
Anna M. Stewart.

Laramie City, Wyoming Territory,
May 15, 1878.

Rev. Sheldon Jackson, D. D.,
Denver, Col.

Dear Brother Jackson:-

I think you may regard the Rawlins field as a good one from the fact that there is no other protestant denomination there. A fair preacher and a good man could be supported with a little help from the Board. I think they would be willing to build him a parsonage and raise him \$50. per month. If we do not occupy the field the Methodists will, but they will return if we enter it.

Mr. Rance and family are Presbyterians and so is Mr. Smith and family. There are one or two more.

I hope to hear from you very soon,

Yours in the faith,

Wm. E. Hamilton.

Washington, D. C.,
May 16, 1878.

Rev. Sheldon Jackson,
Denver, Col.

Dear Doctor:-

I received a letter on the 7th inst. from both of the Secretaries, though written by Dr. Kendall, making the proposition that if I would procure license, they would give us \$1000. and \$300. per annum with the proceeds of the school, but no rent. Leaving the travelling expenses an open question. A copy of my reply I enclose. Our Presbytery meets on Monday and the arrangements appear to be complete for action on my case if the necessary assurance of an appointment arrives in time. If I am appointed, I want the particulars of getting out there immediately.

Yours & c.,
C. M. Parks.

Portsmouth, Ohio,
May 16, 1878.

Rev. Sheldon Jackson,
Denver, Col.

Dear Sir:-

In September 1877 my interest was greatly excited in the Indians of Alaska by reading an article written by you regarding the christian indians and Philip McKay. The Portsmouth First Presbyterian Church, of which my husband Rev. E. P. Pratt is the pastor, had recently organized a Women's Mission Society, but had not determined where to send the money, We hoped to raise. Your communication on the subject of Alaska in the Rocky Mountain Presbyterian, with Mrs. McFarland's letters have been read at our monthly meetings, and by an almost unanimous vote, we determined to devote our mite to this cause. But our people in the First Church, and throughout the Presbytery need to be stirred up on this subject.

I want to know if you will not write to us, and sometime come to see us. If you could find the time to write a letter to be read at our July meeting (we meet the first Thursday of every month) I think you would do the Missionary Society of the First Church much good.

Our Presbytery Society holds a Convention, by special request, at Manchester, Adams County, Ohio, the ninth of next October. Now, I have read that you have a free pass every where, and I have thought you might come to Ohio about that time, visit Portsmouth and make a talk, which would rouse and warm the hearts of christians on this subject, and then meet with us at the Convention at Manchester.

Our Presbyterial Society is not two years old yet, and we have not done as much as we hope to do, but the haven is working, and intelligence on the subject of missions is spreading and increasing, and we shall be glad of any assistance which will give an impetus to the work. In our Church we are sure that the Lord directed us to Alaska.

With christian regards,

Yours truly,

Mary W. Pratt.

New York, N. Y.,
May 17, 1878:

Rev. Sheldon Jackson, D. D.,
Denver, Col.

Dear Brother:-

I have received my Commission and expect to be in Florence next July sometime. I have been receiving copies of Arizona papers for which receive my thanks. I did not write sooner because I wished to wait until there was some certainty of my going to that Territory.

I shall be much obliged to you for any information you can give me as to journey and work & c. I expect to be licensed and ordained at Dayton, May 28th. Then I wish to spend several weeks at home. I am told that I am taking the most disagreeable part of the year to go, because of the heat. Perhaps you can inform me how to prepare for my trip in warm weather. Is it customary for preachers to possess fire-arms for self-protection?

I shall be glad to hear from you. Address me at New Point, Holt County, Missouri.

Yours truly,
Wm. Yeger.

Washington, D. C.,
May 21, 1878.

Rev. Sheldon Jackson, D. D.,
Care General Assembly,
Pittsburgh, Pa.

Dear Sir:-

Will Dr. Jackson please notify me by return mail what day next week it will be convenient for him to meet the ladies of the "Women's Union Home Missionary Society of Washington City" that notice may be given in the different churches next Sabbath and oblige,

Yours truly,
M. E. Harrington.
Secretary.

Sante Fe, New Mexico,
May 21, 1878.

Rev. Sheldon Jackson, D. D.,
Denver, Col.

My dear Sir:-

Your letter of May 2nd was received. I hope you can succeed in finding a good man for Zuni, such as I believe Dr. Shields to be, for instance. I believe the commissioner will do all he can for the Pueblos, but I have no great expectation in regard to the boarding schools.

I do not know very much about Mrs. Griffith's work, but she seems to be doing the only Missionary Presbyterian work there is done here. My opinion is that, notwithstanding certain defects, we all have them, she is worthy a commission. Mr. Smith told me some months ago that he had recommended her for a commission. We have been moving and are all very busy.

Kind regards to Mrs. Jackson and yourself from us all.

Very truly,
B. M. Thomas.

Washington, D. C.,
May 21, 1878.

Dr. Jackson,
Denver, Col.

Dear Brother:-

Your telegram did not reach me in time for the meeting of Presbytery, consequently nothing in my case was done, but the Presbytery adjourned for two weeks, at which meeting, I can be licensed if the way be clear.

I cannot ask the Board to make different arrangements with us than with Brother Galligher, yet I hardly know how to get settled in the field even with the advance of \$250. they propose. Would the Board agree to deduct the advance from some later quarter than the first of the year?

I am glad you are coming to Washington. When, and when can I see you? Dr. Chester wants to see you too?

Yours in Christ,
Calvin M. Parks.

The Manse, Victoria, British Col.
May 24, 1878.

Rev. Sheldon Jackson, D. D.,
Denver, Col.

My dear Dr. Jackson:-

Your letter arrived during my absence which delayed an answer. I am much pleased to know that, we may expect a visit from you in July on your way to Alaska. I saw a good deal of Mr. Brady when here on his way to the North, and had a letter from him a few days ago, in which he expressed himself pleased with Alaska and hopeful about his work.

I spoke to Mr. Munroe about your intended visit, and your wish to stop at Ketchikan, but he informs me that the "Otter" calls there, but very seldom. We shall see more about it before you come.

Mrs. J. McGregor joins me in kind regards, and believe me

Very faithfully yours & c.,
J. McGregor.

Portsmouth, Ohio,
May 24, 1878.

Rev. Sheldon Jackson, D. D.,
Care General Assembly,
Pittsburg, Pa.

Dear Sir:-

I learned through our Minister, Rev. E. P. Pratt that you are at Pittsburg at the Assembly. Hearing that you are in

this part of the land, I address you, hoping it might be possible for you to come here, and give a talk or lecture or sermon or anything to our Missionary Society. I am sure we could secure you a crowded church and you would do so much good. Our Society numbers about eighty members (ladies only) and last year we sent over eighty dollars to Alaska. We rejoiced that we had done so when your letter to "The women of the Presbyterian Church" in the Evangelist came. When it was read there were many tears shed in our meeting. Some of us are much interested we wish to enlist all our Church, (it is a large one). We are sure you would do it. We would try and have notice sent to neighboring towns as well as our own.

I understand they have given you free passes every where. If you could possibly avail yourself of them in our direction! If my information is incorrect, we would try and defray your expenses from Pittsburg.

Hoping it may be possible for kind Providence to bring you among us. I am,

Yours sincerely,
Mrs. D. B. Cotton.
Cor. Sec.

Trinidad, Colorado,
May 24, 1878.

Rev. Sheldon Jackson, D. D.,
Denver, Col.

Dear Sir:-

I take up my pen once more to direct a few lines to you, hoping that they will find you and family well as they leave us. I suppose you think we have preaching as we had reason to expect ourselves. Mr. Workman wrote us that he would be here the first of February, then after waiting a long time we wrote him about coming; he then wrote he would be here the first or second sabbath of April. He was on hand then, returned to his charge. We invited him to come and preach for us. He took the matter into consideration. In four weeks we got an answer, that he could not very well leave where he was, so that ended that chapter.

The Methodist Episcopal folks have a very good preacher and a very fine man. He preaches in our Church every Sabbath evening. We take up collection each time, but there is something wrong with his eyes, and he has to go to Chicago to have them operated on as soon as he can get away. There are a great many strangers coming in, and amongst them Presbyterians. Our folks appear undecided what to do, our session has run out, except one that appears to hold over. I wanted to know if we had not better write you and you could secure us a preacher at General Assembly. He thought we had better wait until Fall, as the Methodist Episcopal Preacher was a fine man.

So I thought it might be that a few lines would reach you and you might have a preacher under your arms or sticking about in some loose corner that would come down here, and see what things look like here, probably your honor would come and see how things look. I do not remember of seeing you here since we got in our new Church. We have a very nice and pleasant house. If you have a preacher, one that you could recommend, I would like if he could come and preach a month or so, so that he would get acquainted with us, and we would have a chance to know something about him. If he gave reasons satisfactory, we could raise a great deal for him than we could for a man that preaches one or two sabbaths, then must find out right away what we can raise.

I have written these few lines on my own responsibility. Would be pleased to hear from you soon,

Yours in Christ,

W. S. Phillips.

Mt. Pleasant, Utah,
May 27, 1878.

Rev. Sheldon Jackson, D. D.,
Denver, Col.

Dear Brother Jackson:-

Your letter written at Cheyenne, May 13th was received to-day on my return from Monroe. I shall be very happy to see you. Mother is at present in Salt Lake City in care of a physician. She hopes to return soon. I hope in time to extent to you the hospitalities of our humble home. We San Peto Missionaries have been talking about holding a "pow wow" somewhere in the Mountains at the close of the Spring term of the schools. We would like to have it while you are with us. Could you spare a day or two for that purpose? Do you still intend to go from here to Arizona via Friscoe, Luds and St. George?

Everything pertaining to our work is quiet and prosperous. Our teachers are proving themselves to be the right persons in the right places. Miss Sowles is more than filling Miss Snow's place.

We will receive you with open arms whether mother returns or not. I wish Stewart and his wife would visit me on their way to California. Can't you bring them and your family too?

Yours in the best bonds,
D. J. McMillan.

P. S.- I have a better team than the one we tried to persuade into a snails trot last year.

Lake City, Colorado.
May 27, 1878.

Rev. Sheldon Jackson, D. D.,
Denver, Col.

Dear Brother:-

I do assume that it is with a heavy heart that I write to you at this time. For the reason that I have to give you an account of the hardest and most unsuccessful trip that I have ever made in these mountains.

I told you that when I left Denver, that if it was possible I would be in Silverton, the 18th. When I arrived home I was very tired on account of the rough ride in the Stage from Garland (you know how that is) besides that the wind was blowing a perfect gale, and I would have to face it if I went to Silverton. I found several parties who wanted to go to Silverton, but none would venture while such a gale was blowing. So I had to go it alone. I secured a horse to ride as far as Burrows Park when I reached Lake San Cristaval. In addition to the wind, there came a terrible snow storm, and as the storm was in my face, my better judgment told me not to risk my life by trying to go forward; but as I had never turned back, I hated to commence then, so I rode on until my face was numb on account of the snow beating against it with such force. Presently I saw smoke coming out of a cabin chimney, I rode up to the door and hollered, the door was opened immediately, and I was pleased to find my friend Viazie and others sitting by a large fire. They had been driven from their work by the storm. By the time I had thawed out, Mrs. Franklin, who lives about a quarter of a mile from the cabin I was in, opened the door and stepped in. As soon as I was introduced to him he said I must go to his house immediately. I had often heard of Mr. Franklin and his most estimable wife. I accepted of his invitation, as was soon seated by a warm fire in the home of kind hearted intelligent Presbyterians.

In the evening the storm subsided, but as I had faced it fourteen miles, I accepted of the kind invitation that was extended to stay all night. After a warm supper and a pleasant conversation I retired.

At four oclock next morning after a hearty breakfast I was in my saddle. Before I had travelled one mile the storm came on with double fury; and I must admit that my heart almost failed me for the wind and snow was terrible, and my face was already sore from the storm the day before. I rode on however until I came to a cabin. I had not waited there more than fifteen minutes, when Gus Talbot, who is as brave and plucky a mail carrier as ever lived came galloping up to the door, his horse fairly smoking, he having ridden sixteen miles since one oclock that morning.

It is now five a. m., and I was seven miles from Bunous Park. I asked Talbot if he thought we could make it through to Silverton. He said he was determined to be at

Silverton that night. So we started together. When we reached Burrows Park, the storm was increasing in fury. We were then at an altitude of ten thousand five hundred feet. Here we found others who wanted to cross the range, but said they would never attempt it in such a storm. For once in my life I was sick at heart, it looked almost like suicide to attempt to cross the range in such a storm. But the mail carrier said, Darley I have carried the mail for two years, and have crossed the range when I could not see the point of my snow shoes, and I know that we can make it. I knew that it would be a terrible walk of twenty-three miles, but as I felt assured that there was no discount on Gus Talbot's courage, and the way Talbot looked at me when he spoke, was as much as to say: you have faced the storm twenty-two miles, dare you face it twenty-three miles further. So, Gus and I started. He with forty pounds of mail on his back, and I with a small pack. By the time we had walked three miles, no doubt if the truth was known, we both were sorry that we had started, but we were now above timber line unable to see five feet, with snow up to our knees. The drifting snow almost blinding us. We would sit down in the snow with our backs to the storm, and rest and talk matters over. Gus was still confident that we could make it, and we both would end the conversation by saying, I never turned back in my life. Finally we reached what we thought to be the summit of the range, and for naught I knew it was. Gus said, now Darley, we will soon commence going down hill. Sure enough we did, then all at once we commenced going up hill. Gus said there is something wrong, let us turn to the left. So we did, presently we crossed our own tracks filled half with snow. I knew then that we were lost on the range, for three hours we had not been able to see five feet, and it seemed a mystery to me how the mail carrier could keep the right direction. I said Gus we are lost. No, said he, I have never been lost, although this is the worse storm I have ever encountered. We started again, and in fifteen minutes we crossed our own trail again. Then Gus stopped and said, Darley we are lost, I would give ten dollars if it was clear for one half second, so as I could see some land mark. But said Gus, we must go down hill. I made a prayer to God that he would guide us, for I felt that he alone could save us from a terrible death.

We then turned and started in an opposite direction, and we soon found that we was going down somewhere at a terrible rate. When all at once I and Talbot dropped. I jumped to the left, as I felt the snow going under my feet. Where was the mail carrier, my heart almost sunk within me. I started down the Mountains, and after going about fifty yards I found Talbot crawling on his hands and knees with the mail bags still on his back. I asked if he was hurt, he stood up and said he was all right. He had dropped twenty feet at least, with forty pounds of mail on his back. I then told him the story of the mormon who had a tent on the ice, where he sold liquor

and cigars. One day while sitting by the store in a drunken sleep, the store and mormon went under the ice. A man passing by looked into the tent and seeing a little four year old child inside near the hole in the ice, said, little one where is your father? the child replied Papa is down in the cellar. I said Gus I thought you had gone down in the cellar sure. He laughed good naturedly, and we made another start. Presently we saw something black looking below us, although the storm was so sever that we could not tell just what it was. I felt positive that it was timber, and I exclaimed thank God there is timber line. In a short while we were in the timber. We sat down on the lea side of some trees and rested, and as I was fortunate enough to have two biscuits, we had a lunch. After resting we started once more and in half an hour we were at Anamis Forks, there we ate heartily, and Gus was relieved of about twenty-five pounds of mail. The storm was still severe, and still in our faces. We were now within fourteen miles of Silverton with the range crossed. So we started again determined to make Silverton that night, which we did completely worn out. Gus Talbot complimented me by telling the people in Silverton that out of over one hundred men he had piloted across the range in the two years that he had carried the mail, that Mr. Darley, the Presbyterian Preacher of Lako City, was the only man that had stuck to him all the way through.

I went to the Earl House, and was kindly treated by the proprietor and his wife. As soon as I sat down I commenced shaking, and had a severe chill for the first time in my life. Mrs. Earl gave me hot water to bathe my feet in, and made me hot ginger tea. After doctoring myself the best I knew how I retired; but had such a high fever that I slept but little. Next day was Sabbath, but no preaching. Brother Beibly had not and Monday I commenced moving around among the people. Had posters printed (I enclose one to you) I soon found that Salter the conjugationist Elders Merrit and Bishop Spaling had all been at work warning the members of the different churches against uniting with the Presbyterians in an organization. After preaching I tried my level best to get them to go into an organization, but failed. One was all that I could get. That one was Mr. Monroe. I found two who had been baptized in infancy. I tried them to see if they would unite in profession. In fact I never begged and pleaded and worked so in all my life but to no purpose.

I succeeded in getting nearly \$400. promised towards the erection of a church. I then told the people that I would furnish all the lumber, laths and shinkles for a church and give them \$150. out of my own pocket towards the erection of a church if three of them would unite in a church organization, but all to no purpose. I then went to Monroe and found that he was backing square out. Perfectly indifferent about the matter so that I was finally left alone. I then wrote to Bebbe, asking him to come to Silverton immediately to hold the

fort until I could get word to you, asking what had better be done. I should have gone on and built a church without an organization, but I was afraid that the Board would not grant the money necessary to complete the building.

Finally I started home, and as I sat down on the hill outside of Silverton and looked back, I could not keep back the tears of bitter disappointment. I had suffered so much in order to reach the place and had met with no encouragement, and now alone with a tramp of forty-five miles before me, half of it through the snow. I tell you Brother Jackson my heart as well as my limbs were sore. That day the sun came out and softened the snow, so that I would break through every few steps, then I would crawl on my hands and knees in that way I managed to reach the summit of the range. As I started down I broke through, and went in such depth that I almost could not get out. My legs seemed fast and the harder I worked the deeper I sunk. At last I rested myself and after some exertion I succeeded in getting out. Then I put down my own coat and slid on that, and by one and another I reached timber land, where I found the snow hard enough to carry me. At last I reached Burrows Park where I found my faithful friend Gus Talbot, who had brought the mail to Burrows Park that day and intended to return to Lake the following day. Mr. Talbot kindly allowed me to ride his horse half way. Thus ended the hardest and most unsuccessful trip I have ever made, and I pray God that it may be the last.

If you can think of anything that ought to have been done that I neglected, let me know what it is and I will go back and do it.

If you should see fit to publish any part of my letter in your valuable paper, please do so, and remember Gus Talbot the plucky mail carrier.

Yours and in Christ,
George M. Darley.

P. S.- Please excuse the bad shape this letter is in for I am all tired out mind and body.

Silverton, Colorado,
May 30, 1878.

Rev. Sheldon Jackson, D. D.,
Denver, Col.

Dear Brother:-

Your note and also one from Brother Darley has brought me here. It seemed hardly possible for me to come up here at this time, my own clergy being very reluctant to spare me any of my time and not hardly in running order yet. Now I am here visiting among the people till Sabbath day when I will preach. I am informed by the people that Brother Darley

left her very much down hearted about affairs, and upon examination I think he had reason to be so just at this time. The people express themselves so far as I have seen them to-day as very anxious to have a church and preaching, i e, christian people; outsiders had rather sleep the sleep of death without molestation. The difficulty seems to be this. There is only one presbyterian now in the place, Mr. Monroe, and he refuses the office of elder. Mrs. Pucket, who is a presbyterian is going away also, Mrs. Montigue. The rest are Methodists and Episcopalians. One Baptist, who will do all he can without joining, the most of the women are anxious. Perhaps, it seems so Brother Darley did not make it plain that the gayety were not expected unless they choose, to become Presbyterians in belief, only the officers. The rub is there can't be a session got up. At least nothing can be done now, and as my presence seems highly important just now in Animas City, I shall leave Monday. They say here that soon our desires may be realized; I have made myself quite sure. If there is truth in positive information, that the difficulty does not say in the counteraction of another denomination.

Now as to my own work, it labors between hope and fear, The people are now very thirsty for preaching, and each day I have preached in Town I have seen such men as make this country godless, with swimming eyes. Last Sabbath I preached at Animas and ordained Brother Keough to the Eldership, we also elected Brother McFie as an elder and he will be ordained next preach day. I have no horse as yet, good quiet ones are high and scarce yet. None have handed in their letters yet, and my anxiety will only subject when they do; except Brother Pinkerton, son and daughter and Mrs. McFie, who are covenanters, the others are either Congregationist, Methodist Episcopal or Episcopalians. I am now in very comfortable quarters in the Office of Ezra Smith. Board at the Hotel, \$7.00 per week. Feel very well. Dr. Wallace who is a right hand man to me. We had a delightful Sabbath School last Sabbath, a superintendent and bible class teacher. We have now some twenty-three or four church members names. The Sabbath school is as large as the little log school house will allow, also the congregation.

We must certainly make some effort at getting a church building at Animas at once. The outsiders are anxious as well as church members, all will do what they can. It would be much more advisable I think to operate for a church at Animas than here at present. There is much hanging on it. If we don't do it some other congregation will, and then will only have second hold. I think I detect a Methodist Episcopal influence there working already. Parrot will hardly need much work this summer. Floreta and the Pinos are better districts. There is beginning to be some Sabbath since I came. Storekeepers, some of them are trying to bring it about. The town is improving slowly. There is a good rural population

I climbed a very large mountain to-day, one tract, got specimens will tell you of my trip next time.

Yours in Christ, regards to all,
W. C. Beebe.

Malad City, Idaho Territory,
May 30, 1878.

Dear Brethren:-

We hereby acknowledge the kindness of the Board in sending us \$125. before the expiration of our first quarter at Malad. We were needing it very much, and it will enable us to carry on the work assigned us here more vigorously and without embarrassment.

Brother Eaton, Treasurer of the Board, asks what time we began our work here. I arrived on Thursday, 21st of March. Brother Jackson was with me on the following Sabbath and did the preaching for that day. The following Sabbath we organized a Sabbath School and preached and so have continued ever since. Our day school was not opened until April 15th. From this data, with your advice, he will know what dates to affix to my drafts and to my commission.

On last Sabbath evening after preaching, we organized an auxiliary Bible Society with nineteen members and some \$12. Both members and subscriptions will be increased by persons not present at our service last evening.

Mr. Danelson, the Indian Agent at Fort Hall has been down here this week and I have had a talk with him about evangelistic work at that place. He seems to be very intelligent man and an earnest christian. This field belongs properly to the Methodists. But Danelson informs me that they have done nothing for the Indians anywhere more than to nominate the Agent. He says that he will work with any denomination except the catholics, who have been plying the Government for permission to take hold of the field. They have a school-house and have had school to some extent; but owing to the Indian war last year the Indians (Shashanes & Bannocks) had to be kept on the reservation at the agency all the time, and as he says, they ate the school-house up, he contemplates putting up buildings and starting a boarding house. seperating the children from their parents as the only feasible plan of taming and christianizing them. In this case he will want a principal and assistant, which he promises to accept from our Board and to pay them out of the Government appropriation.

Sister and I expect to spend a month or two up there after our day-school classes, provided that the Indians do not become too harmful. This is not improbable, as one of the Bannocks has just been convicted of murder, and sentenced to be hanged by the U. S. District Court, sitting at Malad. Will

you please inform me , first if there is anything in the way of our church accepting the Agent's invitation to send a teacher (who can also preach) and such a number of christian ladies as assistants as shall be needed and can be supported out of the Government appropriation? 2. What encouragement shall I give Brother Danielson that our Board will do so?

Please let us hear from you and be advised as soon as possible.

Yours in Christ,
E. P. Welsh.

New Brunswick, N. J.,
May 30, 1878.

Rev. Sheldon Jackson, D. D.,
Denver, Col.

Dear Sir:-

I received my license this morning, so the way is open to me for the West. I will leave here on Monday next, via, The New York Central Railroad, stopping at Niagara and going around by the Lakes from Buffalo to Chicago, taking two weeks on the way, so as to reach Denver about the end of week after next/ I wrote for and received the half-fare permits and am very much obliged to you for helping me to them. I shall be glad to begin my work as soon as I reach you. Father and the others wish to be remembered with

Harry L. Janeway.

WOMAN'S EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE OF HOME MISSIONS.

Carlisle, Pa.,
Monday, March 19, 1878.

Rev. S. Jackson, D. D.,
My dear Friend:-

Your letter is at hand. I will forward the other Indian letter as soon as I have time to write it. I cannot find out Mrs. Green's address. Dr. Dickson or some of the New York men would know and then her pastor could be interviewed. Is Mrs. Newkirk too old or infirm for a Vice President? That would give us the Central Church and a Philadelphia holding. I wish I could go to Pittsburg but I do not see how I can. My six girls need my constant supervision, to say nothing of 4 classes daily and the devious ways of the kitchen divinities to look narrowly into---a week would be a long absence for one so busy. Then there is the expense, and added to all the fact that I should not be able to do enough real good or work to pay for the time, distance & c. The organization would not be altered by my being there as long as the rest of you are on hand. As to the great pleasure of being there of that I need not speak--it may be taken for granted. I still hope that the two churches of Carlisle may try and support a Missionary, but fear the lack of unity between the congregations and the hesitation about giving until one feels it will prevent. What a blessed time it will be when all churches of Christ feel that they are one in Christ and that all they have is his.

In haste,

Very truly,
J. McNair Wright.

Elizabeth, N. J.,
May 2, 1878.

My dear Mrs. Paxton:-

Excuse the liberty I take of writing to you again. It is possible I may be able to come to the meeting of the General Assembly--in which case it will be very pleasant to me to see you face to face--My special object this evening is to know whether you think a meeting of Christian Women could be held in some Lecture Room, in the interest of Home Missions? We could have an address from Rev. Sheldon Jackson--and one of the Secretaries, and perhaps some Home Missionary, and perhaps have prayer and conferences regarding this great matter by ourselves. It has been usual for the last seven years to have a meeting of this kind in the interest of Foreign Missions during the session of the Assembly. It is appointed after the cause is discussed in the Assembly.

I do not know whether this will be carried out any longer. The ladies find it hard to give up attendance at the general meeting in order to hold one of their own.--So it may not be attempted at Pittsburg. But probably you can find out. In any case I hope we can have a meeting together for prayer and conference.

I write by this mail to Rev. S. H. Kellogg also. He probably knows what will be convenient and practicable for us to do. What a comfort in the promise "I will guide thee with mine eye". To have the will of the Lord done is the only question for us.

Yours truly and affectionately,
F. E. H. Haines.

Cincinnati, Ohio,
May 1878.

Dr. Sheldon Jackson,
Dear Sir:-

Your letter of May 1st is at hand. The subject of the letter is one on which I have thought much during the last two months (Personal reference aside). I expected that the organization would be effected and if more can be done for Christ's cause by such organization I shall greatly rejoice with all others interested in it.

Woman's power is only begun to be developed. Comparatively few of the Presbyterian women of this country have set themselves in battle array against the hosts of sin. What a large company in the church yet uncommitted to any special work, and of these a large proportion, when appealed to for anything else express their decided preference for Home Mission work. Among these are able women strong to do, who only wait a development. Disorganization of what is already settled seems to me very unfortunate and unnecessary. If all the women were engaged, and none left to begin a new work, I could easily see the need of a division. But such a state of affairs is so far from the truth that I think it unwise to leave any out, and call for those already committed to one object. Of course I know not who has expressed a desire for my poor services, but I frankly say that I do not see my way clear to say yes to your request. I would not magnify the importance of my name to either society, but prefer at present to let it remain where it is. I suggest to you the name of Mrs. Dr. E. D. Morris, who I know prefers Home Mission Work. She is an able, educated woman, ask her to open the way here and you and all others will see that we who are working for Foreign Missions will not be slow to follow her leadership in helping our country women.

Very respectfully yours,
In Christian work,
Mrs. J. P. E. Kumler.

Vinton, Burton County, Iowa,
May 6, 1878.

Rev. Sheldon Jackson,
Dear Sir:-

I have not forgotten my promise to send you some report of what the women of Iowa are doing for Home Missions. Really there seems almost nothing to report. Almost ten years ago, the women of Cedar Rapids and Vinton began to work for Foreign Missions. God has extended the work and blessed it. Many of our local societies through the state, work for Home and Foreign Missions, but in the larger part of the churches, what the women do for Home Missions is done at the annual collection, for that Board. More might be done as well as not and not detract in the least from the interest in Foreign work. Indeed as you affirm in your last issue, "It will not divide, but will double." Five hundred dollars were contributed to Home Mission the past year by the Presbyterian women of Iowa; two-thirds of that sum was raised by the women of Cedar Rapids First Church, the only one in the State that has a Woman's Home Mission Society. The value of boxes sent out to Missionaries was \$637.

We have many women in our Church who constantly affirm that they are more in favor of Home Missions than of Foreign, and we have said to them, for more than a year, organize a Home Mission Society and we will join you. But as yet nothing of the kind has been done. We have determined to wait no longer for that class but go forward and organize speedily, and I trust by the return of this time next year we may be able to report better things. I am thankful for your visit to Cedar Rapids, and while I regretted for your sake the friction that was felt on Wednesday, I am sure the Lord overruled it for good, and that you were fully vindicated. As proof of that you will return to the last Interior. It is one work, a grand and noble work, and I feel that there is no need any more, no excuse for any discord among the different divisions of the army of our Lord. There is so much to be done we cannot stop to differ. Whatever helps one part will help the whole. The Lord bless you abundantly in your work is the prayer of

Yours,

Mrs. J. F. Young.

Des Moines, Iowa,
May 7, 1878.

Rev. Dr. Jackson,
Dear Sir:-

Your letter of May 2d, in regard to the organization of a Woman's Board of Home Missions, has been received, and I have given it careful consideration.

I regret to be obliged to reply that I must decline

having my name suggested as one of the Vice Presidents. My reasons are, that my present limited sphere of work as Secretary and Treasurer of our Presbyterial Missionary Society is as large as I can fill. The office you suggest, must have duties connected with it. I should be able to attend the meetings of the organization unless they happen to be in my own neighborhood.

But as the local Societies in this Presbytery are working for both Home and Foreign Missions, I shall be glad to aid in any way, in a more limited sphere, the work of the Woman's Board of Home Missions if one is organized.

I shall watch the result of the Convention at Pittsburgh with a great deal of interest, and I hope it may be abundantly blessed of God.

Yours respectfully,

Mrs. J. A. Blanchard.

Fulton, Bourbon County, Kansas,
May 9, 1878.

Rev. Sheldon Jackson,

Dear Sir:-

Your answer to yours of May 2nd is delayed, on account of absence from Chicago.

I was notified this Winter of my appointment by the "Synod of Illinois" on the "Home Mission Board". I was obliged to decline on account of my duties as Secretary of the "Foreign Board", and not for any lack of interest in Home Missions.

I regret that you were not informed of my declination, so that some one could have been appointed in my place. I shall be obliged to decline the "Vice Presidency", which you so kindly suggest, for the same reason. My sympathies are with your work and my cooperation in any way consistent with my strength.

Sincerely yours,

Mrs. H. F. Waite.

Albany, N. Y.,
May 9, 1878.

Rev. Dr. Jackson,

Dear Friend:-

Yours of the 2d is at hand. I thank you most heartily for the honor that you confer upon me by asking me to represent the Synod of Albany in the great Home Mission work of the Church.

It is from no lack of interest in this work that I decline to serve in that capacity, but only because time and strength will not admit of my serving officially in both the Home and the Foreign work, and I can not feel that my work is done in the Foreign Society. In our Albany City churches as

you no doubt know, both Home and Foreign Societies are organized and are doing efficient work. Outside of the City I do not know so much about it, but my experience has been that very few churches that are interested in Foreign Work fail in the Home Department. But this rule does not always work both ways, as we find many persons who will only do for the Home Work.

I have tried to think of a name to give you to represent the Synod. I know of plenty of women that could do it but not one that is willing. And in saying this I do not by any means intend to reflect on the ability or the consecration of our ladies, but only to tell you how hard it is to find a lady who is willing to take the responsibility of such an undertaking, or who has confidence enough in her own gifts to be easily persuaded to it. I am inclined to think you will have to try your persuasive powers personally in this vicinity, and then I believe you will get the right woman. I am glad you are going to have one grand society and for the success and its noble work I will pray and work with an earnest heart. The Home Work is just as dear to me as the Foreign Work is, and I have no fear whatever that one Society will work against the other. Any jealousy between these two departments of Christian work seems to me absurd, and wicked, and I believe every Christian woman in the land should be thoroughly alive to the needs of both.

With regards,

Yours very truly,
Mrs. Arch. McClure.

Buffalo, N. Y.,
May 11, 1878.

Dr. Jackson,
Dear Sir:-

I am much interested in the subjects of your letter of May 2, and hope such a meeting as you suggest will be held and do much good. I well remember the one held in Hershey Hall, Chicago, one year ago and have felt its influence ever since. I think possibly my Sister Mrs. Huntington of Cleveland, may attend; as to the Vice Presidency, I shall endeavor to do what I can in work, consistent with other duties, and my condition of health.

No Home Missionary Society has as yet been formed for our Synod. It appointed at its last session, a Committee of ladies for each Presbytery, for supervising Home and Foreign Missions. The Committees expected to report to Presbytery. The appointments in most cases have been wise, but it is a lamentable fact that the Pastors do not always know, who are the best workers, to the cause of Home or Foreign Missions, in their own churches, and so in some cases nothing is done by the wrong person being named. I will send the report made by the Home Mission Committee to the Buffalo Presbytery, and

you can extract such facts from it as may serve your purpose, and the good and holy cause you are so zealously and busily seeking to promote.

I enclose \$1.00 for subscription to the "Rocky Mountain Presbyterian", which fails to reach me of late for some reason, perhaps because of delay in forwarding the money. I really wish more copies of this were sent here. A children's association (Missionary) in Lafayette Street Church need its information. Will you not send it to Miss Lucy T. Lander, 145 S. Division Street, one of the Officers, also to Rev. H. W. Parson, Pastor, 151-W. Chappewa Street.

The children's association think of taking a scholarship in the Salt Lake Institute; and want to name it for their late Pastor, Dr. G. W. Heacock. I should like more of the leaflets enclosed in your letter. Please let me know where to send for them. They should go to each church in a Presbytery.

Why is not Mr. McMillan provided for at Manti? Is his work valuable and do the Home Missionary Society encourage individuals or societies to help such a man? We are interested in him but as yet have not found any one to take up his case, as an individual. We hope to help Mrs. McMillan's children more than simply to pay her salary, but as yet have not sent her anything.

Respectfully yours,
Mrs. Henry Childs,
141-Delaware Ave.

Knoxville, Tenn.,
May 14, 1878.

Rev. Sheldon Jackson, D. D.,
Dear Sir:-

Please accept my thanks for your complimentary letter of May 2nd, which was received the 8th instant, and now lies before me; in answer to which I will state, that the Presbyterian women in the Synod of Tennessee, have already organized and arranged their Missionary work under the name of the "Synodical Missionary Society of Tennessee" which combines both the Foreign and Home Mission work, and over that Society I have been chosen the President. The various auxiliary societies in our East Tennessee in almost every case, divide their contributions between the Home and Foreign work. It seems to me entirely inexpedient to make any change in the Constitution of these societies as at present organized. Having received the consent, and the cooperation of the Presbyterian Board of Home Missions in New York, we have pledged our means and efforts towards the advancement of the cause of Christ in our own State. If, however, the Vice Presidency of the Society, which you contemplate organizing, should not require us to make any

change in our constitution, & c., but simply to forward the work of Home Missions in this Synod, I would be willing to serve the cause to the best of my ability, should it seem good to the Society to choose me for such a position.

I wish your contemplated organization "God Speed" and hope it may do much toward building up the waste places of God's kingdom in our own land.

Very respectfully yours,
Mrs. C. J. McClung.

New York, N. Y.,
May 15, 1878.

My dear Mrs. Paxton:-

I received a letter yesterday from Mr. Sheldon Jackson dated May 7th, in which he speaks of desiring to form a Woman's Home Missionary Society for the whole Church, and have it located in New York City. I think he could not be aware that we already have a Woman's Home Mission Society auxiliary to the American and New Mexican Society of the Presbyterian Church in which all our best, most active ladies are working, and they would regret very much to have any effort made, of the kind to which he prefers. We unite our Foreign and Home Missionary Work in one Society to save having so many different organizations. We have so many different Societies connected with our churches that we feel that our Mission work is done more effectually by uniting the two. I hope he will not take any means to carry out such a plan.

Rev. Dr. & Mrs. Jesup of Beirut, Syria, have just arrived at our house this morning with six of their children to spend two or three weeks before settling for the Summer at Mrs. Judge Jesup their mother's in Montrose, Penna. We shall enjoy their stay very much as they have been such devoted faithful Missionaries for so many years.

Mr. Jackson desires me to address my reply to you, and believe me

Very truly yours,
Melissa P. Dodge.

La Porte, Indiana,
May 16, 1878.

Rev. Sheldon Jackson,
Dear Friend:-

Your letter dated Denver, May 2nd, was duly received, and I have given some thought to its contents. I certainly feel a very deep interest in the work of Home Missions, as I do also in that of the Foreign Board, and wish to do all I can for both. But I do not see that it is best to organize more Women's Societies---I do very much deprecate the multipli-

cation of this kind of machinery. As President of our Women's Presbyterian Missionary Society I have always used my influence to promote Woman's work for both Home and Foreign Missions, and that influence has not been entirely useless. I shall continue so to do, in spite of the strenuous advice of Mrs. Hoge, to "keep good fences" & c. But I could not conscientiously advise the formation of two distinct societies in these churches; in ours, or in any in this Presbytery. That may do in the large city churches, but I fully believe it would not be wise in the vast majority of our churches. Now what I would not advocate or do at home, I certainly would be a poor hand to advise other people to do. So I cannot think I am a suitable person for a Vice President of a National Society for Home Missions. What I mean to say is this---I will work for Home Missions in the Woman's Missionary Societies of this Presbytery, or wherever my influence may reach, but in the Societies already formed--I will not, and cannot as I now see the matter advocate the formation of two Societies in each Church to work for the two objects. Of course the opposition to Home work in the Board of the Northwest, makes this more different than it would otherwise be, yet even so, it is less objectionable in my judgment, than to attempt to run two Societies in our ordinary churches. It is all I have time or strength for in our own church, and in the Presbytery, to carry on one organization, and I have as much time and strength as most of my sex. Our Christian working women, I believe they would almost unanimously echo my words when I say "From more societies and meetings, and organizations and machinery, 'Good Lord deliver us'". Oh! that we could do our work in the good old way our mothers did theirs, through the Boards of the church. This is my feeling at the bottom of my heart, though of course I do not express it at a Presbyterian meeting. But say what we may, I know that we women are not made to carry these loads, and we are out of our sphere when we attempt it. I have said more than I intended when I began, but perhaps it is just as well to be frank with you in the circumstances, and let you know that at heart I am nothing better than a traitor to the cause of "Woman's Work". Even if this were not the case and you wish a Vice President from each State it would be much better to choose one who was more centrally located, say as far south as Fort Wayne or Logansport--at least, if not at Indianapolis. I am in the very northwestern corner, and have very little acquaintance, or communication with the ladies of Indianapolis or the main part of the State. For these reasons, while thanking you sincerely for the honor you wish to do me, I must beg you not to give my name to the Nominating Committee for a Vice President.

Sincerely your friend and sister in Christ,
 Julia B. Kendall.

Monroe, Michigan,
May 16, 1878.

Rev. Sheldon Jackson,
Dear Sir:-

Yours of 2nd received. The labor and responsibility of the office you propose for my acceptance is more than I feel equal to, at present. Deeply as I feel on the subject I cannot see it my duty; it necessary involves so much correspondence in furnishing information, appeals, etc., not only, but the superintendence of the work. I have been President of our Ladies Society, since its organization in 1871. We became auxiliary to the New York Branch as we embraced in our constitution both Home and Foreign work. We have no difficulty thus far in carrying on both departments of this one work--and we do not propose to make any change--not at present, any way. When we organized Presbyterially we transferred our constitution from New York to Chicago, but did not change our Constitution. Our home work has been confined chiefly to our own state, but this year we propose doing something for the heathen on our Western Shores:-and shall do what we can to awaken interest in our Presbytery.

E. M. Landon.

Cleveland, Ohio,
May 17, 1878.

Rev. Sheldon Jackson,
Dear Doctor:-

Your favor of the 2nd inst. was duly received. I have delayed answering in the hope of hearing of some lady in Cleveland that I might suggest for the position stated in your letter.

It is entirely out of the question for me to assume any more care and responsibility in the way of offices, I must rather drop some of the work on my hands at present. I already have more than I can do in the cause of well, I feel deeply interested of Home Missions as you know, am working in that direction as I have opportunity in connection with our church society. Should any name come to me in season for your meeting on the 24th, I will write again. It would be a real pleasure to me to be at Pittsburg, through all the meeting, of Home and Foreign Missions, and were I not about to leave home for the Summer, I should endeavor to be present. I am going to visit my brother in Galesburg, Ills. first. I believe that was your former home, was it not?

I am feeling anxious for Rev. Mr. McMillan, as my last letter reported him quite ill. Have you or the other Secretaries any recent news from him?

I see the name of one of my Home Missionary friends or correspondents among the commissioners. Rev. James A.

Griffes, Marysville, Kansas.

The Finks family seemed greatly delighted with their box and Second Presbyterian Church, and well they might be, it was a splendid box.

Hoping you may have a Meeting of special interest and thanking you for the honor intended, I am,

Yours very cordially,

E. H. Huntington.

Minneapolis, Minn.,
May 19, 1878.

Mrs. W. H. Paxton,
Dear Madam:-

I received a note a few days since from Rev. Sheldon Jackson, asking for a report from the Synod of Minnesota to be read at your Woman's Home Mission Convention in Pittsburg. I am so entirely occupied just now that I find it impossible to prepare anything suitable. I send you a paper very hastily written (and I have had no time for necessary correction, for our own Society. It is not at all the thing to be read in your Convention, but may serve to give you some idea of what we are trying to do in the Northwest and Home work. I should enjoy very much being in your meeting did circumstances permit. I shall be with you in spirit, and pray for the success of your meeting.

Your Sister in Christ,
A. C. Morgan.

New York, N. Y.,
June 4, 1878.

My dear Dr. Jackson,

At the time I received your letter I was about to leave home to make some visits, and wrote to Mrs. Paxton to say that I was not prepared, without further consideration, to accept your proposal to me to take part in the formation of a new Woman's Home Mission Society, nor was I willing to decline at once to try to serve a cause which I have at heart.

Since my return I have talked on the subject with Dr. Dickson at his Office, and with several of the women of the Presbyterian Church in this City.

I wish I could do the same, i. e. have a talk,--with you. But that cannot be, and I must write what I have to say on the subject. I feel a deep interest in Home Missions, all the deeper for having read your paper these three years and I feel like putting my shoulders to some sort of a wheel which shall roll the work on. I do not, however, approve of wasting effort by multiplying machinery. I do not believe in so dividing

responsibility that no one knows what his own proper burden ought to be.

The Ladies Mission Board of New York has long since entered the Home Field, has received the cooperation of most of the Presbyterian Churches in this City, and has I suppose, unquestionably established a character for honest and earnest work. I do not personally belong to that Board, although the Church Society of which I am Secretary works through its agency; But it is my conviction that rather than attempt to supersede it by the formation of a new Society, it would be better to try to extend and amplify its work; better for the Church to avail itself of this organization, endeavor to add new members, infuse a warmer life, extend the auxiliary connections, make it more widely known; and not cripple it, or perhaps deal it a death-blow by the formation of a new Society.

Besides, in my judgment it would be difficult to enlist here the requisite number of really earnest and practical women in a new enterprise, because such women are already cognizant of this existing work, if not actually engaged in it.

I quite agree with you that people are not awake to the urgent need for the work of Education and Christianization of our Great West. I well remember your own earnest work on the subject. I think it is time to take a new departure. Only I would pour a fuller flood into the old channel rather than dig a new one.

Having this opinion, I am unwilling to give my name to an altogether new agency, yet I am very reluctant to refuse to engage in a work which has only a wider usefulness for its object, although, in my judgment, not adopting the wisest means.

I have written to you as to a friend. If you think it best to do so, will you kindly forward this letter to Mrs. Paxton? I enclose a stamp.

Believe me with great regards,
H. McK. Lewis.

Carlisle, Penna.,
June 3rd, 1878.

Rev. Sheldon Jackson, D. D.,
Dear Sir:-

I have received a letter from Mrs. Paxton, telling me something of the Committee appointed to confer at New York on the organization of the Woman's Home Board. She stated that Mrs. O. E. Boyd would inform me of the date of Meeting, and that I was on the Committee. Mrs. Neukirk is on that Committee also, but I think from a recent letter from her that she does not mean to attend. I wish I had not been put on that Committee for three reasons, which I unfold to you sub rosa hoping that I may get some light from you or that I may understand the affair better.

1st. I fear the proposition to the Ladies Board of Missions

in New York City to drop the Foreign work will widen the distance between the Home and Foreign Boards, will lead to antagonism of the new Board by church members and pastors when they endeavor to hold Synodical. Presbyterial and Congregational Meetings. I think to drop the Foreign Work and take up the Home work entirely in New York, would tend to make a dull balance, for the Foreign Work is overdone in proportion. But do you think the endeavor will on the whole?

2nd. It has seemed to me that the Church Boards are to differ from the present center of work and sympathy. I have inclined to the view that any new organization to be national should not be content cost of Cincinnati. What do you think of that?

3rd. This objection would not have centered my mind but for you! You mentioned in the event of forming a Board, I should be required as Secretary, and I do not wish to go to the New York Meeting if that proposition should be brought up there, a. Because I could give no instant answer. b. Because I think that women could be found of independent means, who must not likemyself consider the relinquishing of a profession by which for 18 years they had made their income, and because there would be women probably to serve who live in New York City, and so would not have to change their home with incumbent expenses & etc., to fill the place. c. Because I do not like to talk business to ladies. Women who have not earned money do not look at money as so many mills to a dollar and to be valued in a ratio of prices current, to them money looks very small when they get it, and very large when they pay it out. And finally I could not and cannot in the least define even to myself whether if I were desired to do so, I could take such a place, and if I did it would perhaps be better if I had had no part in the deliberations, and had not excited any of the personal hostility that would be levelled at my work, if any diverting of means from the Foreign Board were mooted at that Meeting. I do not know that I have made myself clear, but I have tried frankly to give my views.

Yours truly,

Julia McNeir Wright.

New York, N. Y.,
June 5th, 1878.

Rev'd Sheldon Jackson, D.D.,

Dear Sir:-

Your favor bearing date May 7th came to hand in due course of mail.

When the Ladies Board of Missions was organized in this City, I became deeply interested in its work, and have been one of the managers ever since. We are doing a good work, in the Foreign, as well as in the Home Missions, and I do

not think it well to multiply Societies, inasmuch as we have at the head of our Board a most efficient person (Mrs. J. L. Graham), thus far we have been very successful in our work and trust the Lord will be with us to the end.

Ever most truly yours,
C. C. Halsted,
18 West 17th St.,

Milwaukee, Wis.,
May 10, 1878.

Rev. Sheldon Jackson, D. D.,
216-Colfax Street,
Denver, Col.

Dear Sir:-

Your note of May 2d received. It is too late to collect statements of what women of Wisconsin have done the past year for Home Missions. Our Churches are so very weak, most of them are Home Mission Churches, that we have advocated only one organization in this State. Reporting Foreign work to 48 McCormick's Block, Chicago, and Home Mission work to 3-Centre Street, New York, N. Y., In Calvary Presbyterian Church we devote all our energies for the months of Sept. Oct. and Nov. to Home Missions, meeting weekly. Foreign collections are made by envelope system. We recommend a similar course to all our Societies. As far as I know, the most efficient workers in Wisconsin are enlisted in Foreign Missionary work, viz: Mrs. J. B. Stewart, Milwaukee State Presbyterian, Mrs. Anna Williams, Beloit, Presbyterian, Milwaukee Presbyterial Society, Mrs. A. L. Holt, Fond du Lac Presbyterian, Winnebago Presbyterial Society, Mrs. H. D. Tullis, Madison Presbyterial, Wisconsin River, Presbyterial Society, Mrs. Anna Whitehorn, Menominee, Michigan Presbyterial, Superior Presbyterial Society, Mrs. S.R. Lapham, La Crosse Presbyterial, Chippewa Presbyterial Society.

Mrs. A. H. Vedder,
State Cor. Sec.

Minutes of the preliminary meeting held by Presbyterian Women in the First Presbyterian Church, Pittsburg, Pa., May 24th, 1878, for the consideration of the formation of a national organization of the Presbyterian Women of the United States in the interests of Home Missions.

The Meeting was opened with singing, reading of the scriptures and prayer.

Mrs. W. A. Herron of Pittsburg, Pa., was called to

the Chair as presiding officer, and Mrs. Wilson N. Paxton of Allegheny was made Secretary.

Mrs. Herron stated that the object of the meeting was to consider the practicability of organizing a "Woman's Board of Home Missions."

A number of communications were then read from ladies in different sections of the country expressing their interest in Home Missions and regrets at being unable to attend the Meeting.

A letter was read from Mrs. James Lorimer Graham, President of the "Ladies Board of Missions", New York, concerning the organization and work of that Society.

Reports of Home Missions were received and read from the "Ladies Synodical Committee of Minnesota, and also from the Woman's Home Mission Society, of the Presbytery of Buffalo".

A request was received and read from the Missionary Society of Dayton Presbytery that a Home Mission Board be organized.

A paper upon the importance of a National Home Mission organization of the Women, written by Mrs. Julia McNeir Wright of Carlisle, Pa., was then read.

After the reading of the above communications the following questions were taken up and discussed:

- 1st. Are we ready for organization?
- 2nd. Will such an organization conflict with the Woman's Foreign Mission Work?

In the discussion the following explanations were made of the Work of the "Ladies Board of Missions" in New York for the purpose of showing that there was no need of another organization.

Others urged that if that Board would relinquish their Foreign department and give exclusive attention to Home Missions it would be able to do a large work and obviate the necessity of another organization.

Expression was given to the prevailing sentiment of the meeting that it was a great responsibility to organize a "Home Mission Board".

The following plans were proposed and discussed.

- 1st. To organize a "Woman's Home Mission Society" without reference to existing Societies.

- 2nd. That, in addition to organizing a National Home Mission Society, a committee should be appointed to wait upon the "Ladies Board of Missions" and ask them, first to drop their Foreign Department, and second, if they are unwilling to drop their Foreign Department, then divide their Board of Managers into two departments, one having exclusive control of the Home, and the other of the Foreign Mission interests.

- 3rd. To adopt as the National Home Mission Society of the "Ladies Board of Missions" of New York as it stands.

The form of the constitution was then read as a basis upon which a constitution for a National Woman's Home Missionary Society might be formed. In connection with the reading

of the proposed constitution, discussion was had with reference to the Office of Treasurer.

Mrs. J. C. Hoge of Chicago, President of "The Woman's Presbyterian Board of the Northwest", spoke at length of the work of that Society and gave her views with reference to the organization of a Woman's Home Mission Society.

Attention was called to the action of the General Assembly calling upon the Women to organize for Home Missions.

The question was then put to vote: "Shall we organize now?" Answered in the negative.

The following resolutions were offered and adopted.

Resolved, That a committee be appointed from different parts of the country, to confer with the new York Ladies' Board of Missions" as to the propriety of having their Board exclusively to Home Missions.

That, should the Ladies Board of Missions fail to comply with the overture of the Committee, it (the committee) shall be empowered to call a meeting of delegates from the different churches at such time and place as may be selected to organize a new Board.

The Chair appointed Mrs. Oscar E. Boyd, Mrs. S. F. Scovel, Mrs. T. H. Montgomery and Mrs. W. N. Paxton a Committee to nominate the above Committee of Conference and report to the Afternoon Session.

After recess and devotional exercises followed by various addresses of Home Missions, the Committee reported the names of the following ladies, who were appointed a Committee to confer with the ladies of the New York Board of Missions:

Mrs. Sylvester F. Scovel,	Pittsburg, Pa.
Mrs. Oscar E. Boyd,	Elizabeth, N. J.
Mrs. Richard T. Haines,	Rahway, N. J.
Mrs. D. M. Miller,	Brooklyn, N. Y.,
Mrs. Matthew NewKirk,	Philadelphia, Pa.
Mrs. J. V. Hoge,	Chicago, Ill.
Mrs. John Kendall,	La Porte, Ind.
Mrs. Joseph H. Montgomery,	Dayton, Ohio.
Mrs. O. E. Huntington,	Cleveland, O.
Mrs. Julia McNeir Wright,	Carlisle, Pa.
Mrs. Osborn,	New York, N. Y.,
Mrs. G. D. Harrington,	Washington, D.C.

Adjourned with prayer,
Mrs. E. J. Paxton,
W.N.

Secretary.

Pittsburg, Pa.,
June 24, 1878.

Dr. Sheldon Jackson,
Dear Sir:-

I received the enclosed copy of Minutes from Mrs. Paxton this mornng and made some slight alterations as she desired. The resolutions as sent to the New York Ladies Board I also enclose with Committee names. So many are declining to serve that I fear our presence as a body will not be very formidable, and as you will see from the resolutions there is but little for the Committee to do, towards organizing a new Board if the New York Ladies' Board refuses our request,--as it most likely will. I hope whatever is done will be for the East interests of a cause that lies so near our hearts.

Very sincerely yours,
C. W. Scovel.

Elizabeth, N. J.,
June 27, 1878.

Rev. Sheldon Jackson, D. D.,
Dear Sir:-

You may have heard that the proposed conference with Mrs. Graham is fixed for Thursday morning July 10th at 23 Centre Street,--The Ladies of the Committee appointed at Pittsburg are invited to meet here at Elizabeth the day before, for prayer and to decide on something definite to bring before the New York Society. I was very sorry to meet Mrs. Graham and Mrs. Holden on Monday last, and to find they expected to represent the whole Board. This is not what was wished. It seemed desirable to lay the business before the whole Board, but Mrs. Graham said they two had received instructions what to say -- I did not ask her what that was. So many are out of Town, it does not seem to me that, in case Mrs. Graham declines, much can be done before the Fall -- For one I am a little sorry not to have the thing worked up through the Synods more as in New Jersey, but I believe God will guide aright in the matter.

I have received "proofs" of the Report on Home Missions adopted by the late General Assembly. To it is appended a report "from the Ladies' Board of Missions New York City." It claims to have twice outstripped the action of General Assembly. I want to find out the exact relations of this New York Society at present to the Board of Home Missions. The General Assembly of 1875 (Minutes page 489), distinctly recommended "the organization of a Woman's Home Missionary Society, etc." This looks as if the Assembly, and the Home Board did not recognize the New York Society as filling that place -- or they would not have recommended another --yet now, this New York report is published in Minutes of General Assembly.

This may complicate matters. Some one told me all the United States were included in Presbyteries -- Is that so?

When a Woman's Home Missionary Society is formed, it should at once cover the ground -- so fast as names of suitable superintendents or Secretaries for every Synod can be obtained. I think, Sir, that you can probably suggest many good names for this purpose to be brought forward, if God will, next Fall. Then if the appointments or nominations can be recognized by the various Synods, a great point will be at once gained. So I hope you will be able to give special attention to this, and if the same names should be proposed by others, it will be very good. After the Committee has met, I hope to write again.

Ever yours truly and respectfully,
F. E. H. Haines.

Denver, Colorado,
July 4, 1878.

Mrs. Haines,

My dear Sister:-

Yours of June 27th is received, and I hasten to answer. You ask concerning the relations of Mrs. Graham's Society (Ladies Board of Missions) to the Home Board. Dr. W. C. Roberts can tell you. My own impression is that the Board of Home Missions do not consider it as a National Society, occupying the ground intended by the General Assembly when they directed the formation of a national or central Woman's Home Board, but that the Board recognizes it as they would the "Synodical Society of New York" or the Ladies Board of the Southwest", or of Brooklyn, or any other local society, which is raising money for Home Missions and sends in an annual report. Enclosed find a leaf from the Report of the Home Board for 1877, in which you see that the Brooklyn Society is placed on the same footing with Mrs. Graham's. They are simply local societies.

A national society does not yet exist and that is what the Assembly and many friends of Home Missions in all parts of the country wish you Ladies to get under way.

A National Society with headquarters at New York City, is not simply for the New York City Churches, but for those of California, Texas and Tennessee, Ohio and all other portions of the country as well. Consequently it need not go into any individual church in New York City, where the ladies are auxiliary to Mrs. Graham's Society. It is not essential to its usefulness that it should have a single auxiliary in New York City, as it will be for the directing of movements and promoting of greater efficiency in the whole country.

Such a central organization, instead of conflicting with present movements, will be their helper.

For instance, where there are Societies that join Home and Foreign Missions, as is the case of Mrs. Graham's,

The Brooklyn, St. Louis, Iowa, Nebraska, and others, the central Societies can furnish leaflets and other publications, speakers, & etc., that shall give greater efficiency to the Home Departments of those Societies.

Having the whole Church for its field, it need not push its way in any City or section, where a local Society claims the ground, unless with the cooperation of the local Society. It can help the local Society without interfering with its local arrangements, and thus make it a friend. Such a policy will in the end secure the local Society as an auxiliary.

The National Society should not be discouraged if New York, or Brooklyn or St. Louis and other places should not at once become auxiliary.

There are a sufficient number of sections that will become auxiliaries to give its position and influence. And the fact that it is the National Society will increase its influence more and more year by year, until eventually it will have the full control throughout the entire Church.

You regret that the Society could not have been worked up through the Synods as in New Jersey.

The attention of the Synods has been called to this matter for two years past, and it has utterly failed to accomplish the object. Only a few Synods have complied with the directions of the Assembly and appointed a Ladies' Committee. God's providence has shut us up to the one course. If the work is to be done, we must have a central organization.

1st. That can by circulars and letters keep Synods reminded of their duty to appoint these committees, until from habit the Synods will attend to it, as they do any other routine business.

2nd. The Central organization can prepare and send out blank constitutions -- leaflets on "How to organize?" "How to keep up the interest in Meetings after organized?" "Best Methods of Work"--"Objects of work and prayer"--Meet objections and hindrances - furnish encouragements - Secure Essays and Missionary Letters - Furnish speakers & etc.

In hundreds of places the Christian woman are ready to go to work, if any one will show them what is to be done and how to do it. A National Society can best do this and set them at work.

Objections.

I have frequently heard it said, "that there were too many Societies now -- that there was no room for another.

Let us examine. There is the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society of Philadelphia, Woman's Board of Missions of the Northwest, Woman's Board of Foreign Missions, Albany, and Troy Branches; but these are all for Foreign Missions. Then there is the Ladies' Board of Missions of New York, Woman's Home and Foreign Missions Society Brooklyn, and Woman's Board of Missions for the Southwest. These are mixed Societies,

working more largely for Foreign than for Home Missions. To sum up, there are in the Presbyterian Church, four Societies with their auxiliaries exclusively for Foreign work, and three for both Home and Foreign without a single Society exclusively devoted to the Evangelization of our own land. Surely there is room for one Home Mission Society.

A second objection, "That it will make friction." Mrs. Scoval of Pittsburgh can testify that the officers of the Woman's Foreign Mission Society of Philadelphia, and the Woman's Board of Missions for the Northwest, the leading Foreign Missions Societies of the Church, both expressed themselves as in favor of a Woman's Home Mission organization. Consequently there can be no friction with them. Instead of friction, the two Societies will be of mutual assistance.

As to the Ladies Board of New York, the new Society can prevent friction by not interferring with their auxiliaries by attending to the balance of the Church not reached by the Ladies Board and furnishing the Ladies' Board of New York such assistance as they may be willing to receive, thus cultivating friendly relations.

The reason for a National Society may be summed up as follows:

1st. This movement, like all others, to secure the greatest usefulness must have a central head and be national in its aims.

2nd. The General Assembly, recognizing the need of a National organization has again and again recommended that it should be formed.

3rd. Many local organizations have been formed and are waiting for a National organization to give direction to their efforts.

4th. Devout Christian women all over the Church are waiting and praying for such a movement and ready to fall into line.

In case you fail in making a satisfactory arrangement with the Ladies' Board you ask, "What is to be done? Allow me to suggest.

1st. That the necessity for such a National organization is so great, that it would be injurious to delay all further action until next Spring.

2nd. That a meeting called in the Spring might not secure a larger attendance than if called this Fall.

3rd. That it was the evident intention of the Convention in appointing the present Committee that the Committee should make some arrangements by which a national organization should be gotten under way.

4th. That it is competent for this Committee to appoint a "Provisional Board of Managers" who shall serve until next Spring when at a convention to be called in connection with the General Assembly, a new Board may be elected.

5th. That this Provisional Board of Managers shall take charge of and promote the interests of such a Society.

(a) Take charge of and systematize the distribution of Boxes of Missionary Clothing.

(b) Issue leaflets, plans of organization, methods of work, & etc., to increase the general interest in the work.

(c) Correspond with stated clerks of Synod and urge that each Synod at the coming Fall Meeting comply with the recommendations of General Assembly and appoint a Ladies' Committee.

(d) Arrange for a Woman's Home Mission meeting in connection with the next General Assembly at which the organization of the Society may be completed.

(e) Correspond with Synodical Societies and secure the appointment of a Delegate to represent them at the next Spring Meeting so that there may be at least one lady present from each Synod.

(f) Prepare draft for constitution and by-laws to submit to the Spring Meeting for adoption.

A PROVISIONAL BOARD OF MANAGERS.

1st. Will enable the work of the Society to commence at once, and thus prevent delay through all next Fall and Winter.

2nd. A Provisional Board of Managers can secure a full attendance of Ladies, regularly delegated to act in behalf of the ladies of their Synod and thus the action of Next Spring will represent the whole Churches--Otherwise a few will come together from a few sections authorized only to speak for themselves as was the case this Spring.

3rd. A Provisional Board of Managers can present at the Spring Meeting for adoption a constitution, By-Laws & etc. Otherwise the Ladies will again come together without matured plans and something tangible upon which they can act.

4th. A Provisional Board of Managers will secure more general action this fall on the part of Synods.

5th. They can secure some conventions for the Fall or Winter.

6th. They will prevent further applications arising from delay.

7th. They will encourage the friends of the cause to go to work.

If you do not arrange with the Ladies' Board of New York, I plead with you do not separate until you have appointed a Provisional Board of Managers to act until there can be a representative gathering of the Ladies next Spring, to complete the organization.

I will spend the tenth and eleventh in special prayer that the Holy Ghost will give you both wisdom and courage to go forward in so great a work.

Respectfully yours,
 Sheldon Jackson,
 Superintendent of Presbyterian Missions
 in Wyoming, Colorado, New Mexico,
 Arizona, Montana and Alaska.
 Utah.

Elizabeth, N. J.,
 July 12, 1878.

Dr. Sheldon Jackson,
 Dear Sir:-

The New York Ladies were represented by Mrs. Graham and Mrs. Hart. They declined to lay down the Foreign Mission department of their Board, but proposed such a radical modification of the Home Branch--viz: to make the President of every Synodical Society Vice President and therefore having a right to attend the Meetings and vote, also promising to have the work kept entirely distinct, even to sending, in separate form, the Home Missionary part of their Magazine--that the Committee present thought it wise to entertain the proposition, and to send it down to the absent members. Should a majority approve, another conference is to be called about the last week in September, in time to send some word to the Synods. Mrs. Graham had been to many of the Pastors of New York and got their endorsements---If we can secure the thing it seemed best to us to compromise the name perhaps. We shall not agree to recommend this "Ladies Board of New York as our Headquarters, unless it becomes, in its Home Branch, regularly auxiliary to the Board of Home Missions, is approved by them, and also receives the appointment of the Synods of New York, and New Jersey---At heart this is our present feeling.

Your letter was read with great consideration at our preliminary conference here at Elizabeth, on the 10th of July. Were the coast clear, no plan would promise better.

We had full responses from members of the Committee but several, as Mrs. Dickson, Mrs. Harrington, and Mrs. Julia McNeir Wright, were detained just at the last. Only Mrs. Scovel and a Mrs. Davenport here outside of New Jersey---so that in any case, we could not have organized at the present session. It was a strengthening thought that you and others were praying about our conference and to know that in some way all would work out in the best way---if only we continue to wait to the Lord about it.

My love to Mrs. Jackson,

Yours truly and respectfully,
 F. E. H. Haines.

I have asked Mrs. Boyd, our Secretary, to send you an exact

copy of resolutions adopted.

 Railway, N. J.
 July 17, 1878.

Dr. Sheldon Jackson,
 Dear Sir:-

The "Conference" was held as per agreement, July 11. The overture of the Committee and the appeals from various Societies and individuals interested in the object of the conference failed to accomplish what we desired. After returning answers to the Committee through Mrs. Graham, they submitted a proposition, as follows: That instead of organizing a new Board for Home Missions, organizations should be formed in the Synods for Home Mission work, which shall have their own officers and the President of which shall be Vice President of the Ladies Board. These Presidents shall organize the work in their own Synods and Presbyteries, and report it to the Board in New York, with whom they shall be in correspondence connection and cooperation.

Verbal promise was also made to accede to the wishes of Committee in regard to change of Constitution & etc. to suit the requirements of the enlarged work.

It was resolved, that this proposition having been received the Secretary be instructed to send copies of it to absent members of the Committee asking their views upon it. And further resolved, That if a majority of the Committee entertain the proposition, another conference be held with the view of preparing a paper in definite form to bring before the Board of Home Missions and the Synods. At a Meeting of the Committee held subsequently, the following resolutions were adopted.

The members of Committee present in view of the enlarged plan s for future work in the Home Department of the New York Ladies' Board and its expressed design to reach the churches through the Synods, and the Home field through the Board of Home Missions as recommended by General Assembly are prepared to entertain their proposition and to hold farther conference on the subject.

Very respectfully yours,
 M. E. Boyd.

P. S.-

After consulting with Dr. Kendall I add these few words to call your attention to the facts, that for the present while these matters are in a formative state, and because of the Foreign Boards opposition & etc., It will not be advisable to publish anything about it. After the thing is surely fixed then publish and push with energy. The outlook is good, don't hurry too much.

hurry too much.

Excuse such sentences - I'm not at all well.

Yours,

O.E. Boyd.

 Carlisle, Penna.,
 August 1, 1878.

Rev. Sheldon Jackson, D. D.,
 Dear Sir:-

Your letter arrived in due time. I did not go to the New York Meeting. I could not very well, and I concluded that nothing but more meetings would come of it. The Business arrangements were rather loose, and no means had been provided to fix anything. I suppose you have heard the result.

I think most of the members of the Committee are pleased with Mrs. Graham's proposition and will accept it. It does not commend itself to me at all. You will see it will create any enthusiasm and will not move matters perceptibly from where they are now. However I suppose it must be tried until it proves itself a failure. As far as I can see the Ladies consider the proposal made as "Providential" and whereas they prayed for wisdom, and know that many others prayed, they conclude that what they did must be right. Perhaps it is. However, I think we have in this age got in the habit of talking a great deal of religious balderdash without knowing it. Is a Turk carrying out God's intentions simply because he says "it is the will of Allah" and lets the matter go?

I suppose the blessing of God on deliberation is to help exercise our common sense, and we shall know if we have got the blessing by seeing if we have exercised common sense. Perhaps this proposal may be all right and the very best thing. But as far as explicating the affair goes, they seem to reason in a circle. "We asked the Blessing of God -- we did this, therefore it must be the blessing of God". Suppose they had concluded to build an orphan asylum? I think they might have reasoned the same way. It looks to me merely putting Woman's Home Mission Work as sub and auxiliary to an auxiliary of the Foreign work. As I told them, there were plenty of women to give services efficiently for this cause, just as was done in the Woman's Foreign Mission Board, until the cause was fully established. Don't for anything let this letter be seen by any of the Ladies; I don't expect them to look at things in my way. Mrs. Haines wrote me something about the New York Society having preemption rights -- just as if there were any preemption rights in morals. So, the work is the Lord's and he will straighten it out in due time. It does not go quite as fast as some of us would like in our short span and great haste, it is hard to wait the mighty leisure of events. It looks now as if we should get an efficient board organized in about five

years. Until then we will be doing something. No Colorado for us this year -- can't afford to travel, with hard times and two children to educate. Dr. Wright and myself keep quill driving as hard as ever to make two ends meet. Come here when you come East.

Very truly,
Julia McNier Wright.

Falls City,
August 19, 1878.

Rev. Sheldon Jackson, D. D.,
Dear Sir: -

You asked me to write you occasionally when I had any Home Mission news to communicate. I have none now, but write to make some inquiries concerning your place.

My Sister (Mabel Douglas's Mother) has some lung affection and seems anxious to go to Colorado a while. They live in a malarious district, although a highly cultivated beautiful country (Ohio). Denver is spoken of as a good place for persons affected as she is, and I would like to have her go very much if there is any possibility of doing her any good. She, if she does go, would take her little daughter, seven years old, and Mabel stay with me, and Mr. Douglas endure their absence the best he could. What does boarding cost? A good private boarding house would be most desirable I suppose but do not know. Am writing this of my own motion entirely.

The Home Mission Committee of Ladies Meeting at New York was small--of course you have heard all about it and I need not write you of it.

And just think of their holding their meeting in Dr. Dickson's room. Isn't it funny? Some of Dr. Kendall's management doubtless. And just think the ladies met at ten o'clock and talked until four, entirely oblivious of time.

Surely all things are working together for good, and at the September meeting an organization will be formed with a good strong basis endorsed by those New York Ministers who have always refused to do as much for that Ladies' Board. Those Ladies have stood in their own light and we could not see why, but it is only because the cause was in God's hands and not in our hands.

Am glad you took no account of those notes of the Pittsburg meeting -- Knew it was best to keep it back, and not notice it indeed thought of sending it in another form but really was with my sister who was ill and had not time to give it any thought. Have not seen the August No. of your paper. Mr. Paxton says it is not given---Have been from home almost two months, am now at a summer resort--return home tomorrow. Mr. Paxton is in the City.

Regards to Mrs. Jackson and family.

Respectfully,

E. J. Paxton.

Am about 75 miles from the City on the B. & O. R. R.

941 Massachusetts Ave.,

Washington, D. C.

1903
Nov. 20, 1903

Dr. Sheldon Jackson,

Washington, D. C.

Dear Friend:

I return with thanks the letters written to you in 1877-78 by prominent women, leaders in the Church, concerning the calling at Pittsburg, Pa., May 24th, 1878, of a Convention for the organization of a National Presbyterian Woman's Home Missionary Society, which letters you so kindly loaned me. I have read them with much interest.

It is good news to hear that you are proposing to write a history of the "Evolution of the Woman's Board of Home Missions of the Presbyterian Church."

I well remember the almost universal opposition you met with between 1870 and 1878 in your efforts to interest the women in a home mission organization.

I believe I was the first one to write you to come to Pittsburg and Allegheny and address our ladies on woman's work in home missions. After I had made all the arrangements for the meeting and sent to the Presbyterian pastors of those cities notices to be read from their pulpits on the Sabbath preceding the meeting, a Committee of Presbyterian women visited the several pastors and plead with them not to

claiming that
make the announcement, as the meeting would injure the woman's foreign mission work. There was much feeling over the meeting. While waiting for the audience to gather, you related to me the opposition that you had met shortly before from the foreign mission women in Philadelphia, and that you had only succeeded in having a meeting in that city through the determined stand of Mrs. Matthew Newkirk, sr., who secured a hall and made all the arrangements for the meeting. And this you said I must stand by you and back you up in Pittsburg. Upon that occasion you won many ladies to favor a woman's home mission organization. That feeling of apprehension that a woman's organization for home missions would interfere with women's foreign mission work, has now happily passed away in the great success of both societies.

I further remember, that, when failing to prevail upon any of the Woman's Synodical Societies of Home Missions, either singly or collectively, to issue a call for a general meeting to form a National Organization of Presbyterian women for home missions, you issued such a call yourself and wrote to a number of the most prominent women in the several synods for their cooperation and for permission to use their names as vice-presidents of the proposed organization, and that you asked my permission to have the replies of said women sent to me at Allegheny, as a more central location than your home at Denver for gathering the replies, inasmuch as the Convention was called to meet at Pittsburg.

I also remember, that, on the evening preceding the meeting of the convention, which was called to meet in the lecture room of the First Presbyterian Church of Pittsburg, May 24, 1878, a private conference composed of Rev. and Mrs. Henry Kendall, Mrs. S. F. Scovel, wife of the pastor of the First Presbyterian Church, Mrs. William Thaw, Mrs. Oscal E. Boyd of New York, yourself and myself, was held in Mrs. Thaw's parlors at which we completed the arrangements for the Woman's meeting to be held the next day, selected the officers that were to be nominated to the convention, approved the form of a Constitution, which you had drawn up as a basis upon which a constitution for the National Woman's Home Mission Society might be formed, and as far as possible arranged the order of exercises.

In looking forward to, and arranging for, that first meeting, we laid much stress upon the presence of Mrs. Haines. You can imagine then our discouragement when I received at the last moment a telegram from her that she was sick and could not come. I hastened to find and inform you and a few other friends, not knowing what changes it might make in our arrangements. How disappointed we all were, until you, after a pause, said "It is the Lord's work, it will go on".

But for your persistent, tireless and wisely directed efforts, through the press and in public addresses in all the large and many of the smaller cities and villages of the north, to arouse the women of the Presbyterian Church to organized work for home mission and to create a public sentiment favorable to such an organization, I

feel sure that the formation of "the Woman's Executive Committee of Home Missions", would have been delayed many years.

Those of us, who were most intimately associated with you in church work in those days, know that you, more than any other, was the one, whom God used for the organization of the Woman's Executive Committee of Home Missions", and I earnestly hope you will be spared to write the inner history of how it was accomplished.

Very sincerely

your friend,

Emily J. Fenton.

(Mrs. W. W.)

Secretary of the Convention of Presbyterian Women at Pittsburg, Pa., May 24, 1878, for the organization of a National Woman's Home Mission Society.

Elizabeth, N. J.,
Sept 17, 1878.

Rev. Sheldon Jackson, B. D.,
Denver, Col.

Dear Sir:-

Your letter is just at hand. It will be of great help to us for some had the impression that no compromise of the kind offered would please you. I am hopeful some arrangement will be made ---It is all to be referred to the Board of Home Missions; that meets next week. I had last week a very pleasant talk with Mrs. Graham and mail you a copy of unofficial letter sent to her Board a day or two since. I think it may be more time than needed.

F. E. H. Haines.

Cape May Point, N. J.,
September 24, 1878.

Rev. Sheldon Jackson, D. D.,
Denver, Col.

Dear Sir:-

Last February you asked me to continue my letters to children through the summer. I have sent you enough letters for that, and do you know whether you want more letters or not? I see "Weighing the Baby" was widely copied. If you want more letters let me know, but perhaps your staff is large enough. I wish that I could write that Alaska refuge into existence. I do not remember whether I have sent you six or seven letters since last payment--my note book was mislaid--probably you know and you can send the check here. I was sorry to miss Mrs. Norcross on her return from Galesburg. I have a very strong regard for her--but our school in Carlisle was too great a financial loss to us to continue it--of that however do not say a word to any one, we keep our business advantages and disadvantages strictly to ourselves. We are at Cape May Point for the Winter because it is non-rheumatic, very cheap and quiet where I can drive my pen undisturbed, with the delight of the sea near us, which acts as restorer, consolar and general inspiration. Ah, me, when shall the returned Christ fill the World with his fulness as the waters cover this sea!

Very truly,

Julia McNair Wright.

Parkersburg, W. Virginia,
June 4th, 1878.

Dr. Sheldon Jackson, D. D.,
Dear Friend:-

I missed seeing you again at the Assembly, though I endeavored to find you.

I received the half fare permit your order called for on the St. Louis, Kansas City & N. Railroad. The Agent at Omaha returned my order with the direction to call at Omaha for the half fare ticket. From the Agent at Kansas City I received no reply. I failed to get reduced fare to St. Louis.

The Agent here at the Pan Handle route offers me an emigrant ticket to San Francisco for \$68.70. On it I can ride first class to Omaha, and thence take an emigrant car. So far as I can learn from Agents, Railroad Guides, & etc., since I have failed in getting half fare on so great a portion of the route; the difference between the expense of the route. I thought of going by Sta. Louis, Kansas City and Denver; and that by Chicago and Omaha would amount to over \$50.00 As it is my duty under the circumstances to save as much as possible, I have concluded to take the route by Omaha, even though it will be at the expense of a good deal of personal comfort, and will involve the loss of several visits with friends. I especially regret that I shall miss seeing you.

I expect to start next Monday morning. I shall reach Omaha about Wednesday morning the 12th, I may stop there a day or so. A letter written from you immediately, would probably find me there. I shall probably pass the Sabbath (17) in Salt Lake City, as I don't want to travel on Sabbath and the train I travel on will be slow. A letter addressed to me at the Walker House, will probably reach me there. I would willingly preach there the 17th if arrangements could be made in the short time left. I shall make use of your letter of introduction to Prof. Coyner.

I shall call at the Cheyenne Post Office if the train stops long enough. I ship my freight tomorrow to Dr. Lindsley at Portland.

We are going to have a grand union missionary meeting next Sabbath at Fotters' Church.

Many thanks for your pains to help me and for your kind invitation.

Hoping to hear from you on the route. I remain,
Yours in the Work,
S. Hall Young.

Laramie City, Wyoming,
June 4th, 1878.

Dear Brother Jackson, D. D.,

I leave tomorrow morning for Fort Benton, but do not wish you to make any arrangements for the supply of my place here till I return. I should not go only that my correspondence with the people of that place renders it at least fitting that I should do so. I do not feel that my work is here done yet from developments that have transpired since Presbytery. Still I shall follow the leadings of Divine

Providence so far as the way of his purpose may be made plain.

I have sent an application to Ogden for next Sabbath, and hope to spend the two following Sabbaths and the intervening week at Benton and be here on the First of July. Hope you had a good time at the Assembly.

Kind regards to Mrs. Jackson and children.

Yours in the Gospel,
Wm. E. Hamilton.

Malad City, Idaho Territory,
June 5th, 1878.

Rev. Sheldon Jackson,
Denver, Col.

Dear Brother Jackson:-

I have a few items to communicate and some instructions to ask for. Our Sabbath School seems to be the most interesting work just now. The attendance keeps up fairly and they are committing Scripture rapidly-not a few reciting 50 to 100 verses each Sabbath. The women have been attempting to talk down our Mission in their meetings, but no one has yet been induced to leave either our day or Sabbath School.

On Sabbath Evening of May 26th after preaching, we organized a bible Society. The first in this region and perhaps the first in the Territory. We have reported to the Secretary A. B. S. as an Auxiliary Society and have ordered books to start a depository. There is a great need here which cannot well be supplied by any of the neighboring depositories.

Major Danielson, Indian Agent at Fort Hall was here a short time ago and I had a talk with him about the work up there. He seems to be an earnest Christian and is a member of the Methodist Church. The tribes for which he is Agent, (Shashanes & Bannacks) are probably under the charge of the Methodist Church, but Mr. Danielson says that they never have done anything for the Indians except to nominate the Agent. That he has become disgusted with their neglect and will work heartily with any denomination except the Catholics who have been trying to get a foothold. He proposes to put up buildings for a boarding school, and pay the salaries of a principal and the necessary assistants. I expect to visit the place and spend sometime there during the summer vacation.

I should like to be advised, first, if there is any obstacle in the way of our church accepting the offer, or invitation of Major Danielson the Agent, to send persons for this work? Second. What encouragement shall I give him that they will do so? Also anything else that it would be advisable for me to do or to inquire into while at the agency.

You have perhaps read of the trial of Tambiego, one of the Bannocks, for murder at this place during the recent sitting of Court. He was sentenced to be hanged at Boise on the

28th of June. It was feared that this proceeding might arouse his tribe, but all is peaceful so far.

With the kindest regards to you and your family, I am,
Your Brother in Christ,
E. P. Welsh.

James, New Mexico,
June 6, 1878.

Rev. Sheldon Jackson, D. D.,
Denver, Col.

Dear Doctor:-

I send in the same mail with this a letter for your paper if you deem it worth its room. This letter is not intended to be made public. It is only three months today since we came to Pueblo, but I have been thinking that I might now tell you some thing of the situation of affairs in this field. You are aware that the great obstacle in the way of religious teaching in this Country is the Catholic Church. They have held sway so long that they hardly suppose any person but a Catholic has a right to say anything about religion. Here is a flourishing Pueblo. It is just four miles from this place to San Ysideo. Four to the Canyon and four to Viessita. These are all Mexican Towns and each has a Catholic Church. There is a church here also and this being a central point they have established a Priest here and here he is, and from here he goes out over the Country doing the work of the Catholic Church and gathering up the money. If he goes away from home to marry he charges seventeen dollars, at home eleven dollars. If one dies he is paid for burying, and he charges for baptizing. The you know he forgives sins and does the work of the Church in general. In short it is a Catholic Church or nothing in this Country. Now why is this? Can no other Church live here? No one knows it was never tried sad to say. A good many of the Aztecs here are nominally Catholics but many of them are not and I don't think many are carrying much really for the Catholic Church. But as I said before there is nothing else. They want their children baptized and they must go to the Priest. They want to get married, and they must go to the Priest. If one dies there is no place to bury but in the little yard around the Catholic Church and the Priest must bury them and be paid for it. And here let me say; I am told that when they dig a grave in this place it is common to throw out the bones of others and when the graves is filled the old bones are thrown back in again. Last Fall over sixty died here with Small Pox and it hardly seems possible to me that they are buried at the Church but I suppose they are and many hundreds more in this spot at the Catholic Church. I believe that many among the Mexicans would in time break away from the Catholic Church, if they had any church to go to. There is a man living at the Canyon four miles up the River Romaldo Montogo who is a genuine

Presbyterian and his family is the same. Himself and wife at least are members of the Church. They lived a while at Del Norte Colorado, and joined the Church at Del Norte. I know by his looks that he is correct for he has the names of persons there and can tell all about his minister. He has the Scriptures in Spanish and also English. He brought two of his cousins, young ladies to Sabbath School and they are Catholics. He seems to be very much in earnest and I believe is a Christian. He is standing up faithfully and manfully among the Catholic friends and neighbors, and he may be the instrument of turning some of them from Catholicism. But this man is sixty-four miles from a Presbyterian Church surrounded with Catholics, and longing for the privilege of the Sanctuary. What I want to tell you is this. I believe there should be a Presbyterian Church established at Jemes as soon as it possibly could be. There can be something done here that may help on that is open the way for a Church, but it is very difficult to do much as matters are shaped now. If there was a nice little church here and the privilege and benefits of a church to offer people, I believe there would be enough to abandon Catholicism. It would be much easier to do work among these Indians if there had never been a Catholic near them.

This letter is for you and you can know by this how matters stand here. My honest conviction is that there should be a church organized here and supported just as soon as possible. While we are here we will do anything that we can to further the good work, and if we could get some help we would like to put up a dwelling house and school room. It would not cost very heavily, and it would be such a help towards making a permanent thing of the work here. If the good people just could understand things are needed in this wonderful country, they would and could easily give the little help that is needed. If the Indian Commissioners would be willing to allow something towards a schoolhouse instead of paying an unreasonable rent as they do now, and the Board would allow something towards buildings there could be enough got outside to make a good square start here that would look like business and would have a show for permanency.

Please write to me. Mrs. Shields joins in sending love.

Truly yours,
J. M. Shields.

Fort Wrangel, Alaska,
June 7, 1878.

Rev. Sheldon Jackson, D. D.,
Denver, Col.

Dear Brother:-

If you come to Alaska next month as we hope you will. You will not receive this before leaving home. I have

nothing of importance to write. We are all feeling very happy since the "Otter" came in yesterday, as it brought the news that Rev. Young and his wife were aboard the "California" for Fort Trangel. I heard it from the Rev. Mr. Reed of Victoria. I fear it is too good news to be true. Yet it may be. I am doing all I can to persuade Mr. Vanderbilt to remain at home until next month. I am so anxious for you to see him. Indeed I think it is very important that you should. Mr. Brady and Miss Kellogg write very encouragingly of the work at Sitka. The Steamboat "Beaver" (that you well remember seeing here last Summer) was sunk on the Stikeen River two weeks ago. No lives lost.

My school averages thirty-five scholars, which is a good number for this time of the year. So many are gone to the mines and other places to work. Shus Taks has been pretty quiet since the "Revenue Cutter" came up. He tried to get up a fuss about the time Saaks died. By telling the Indians Shaaks had been poisoned by some white person. I believe he, Shus Taks will come around yet. But I think the best way is just to let him alone.

Last trip "The California" went into Fort Simpson. It would be nice if they would do that when you come up. I had a letter from Mr. Crosby by "The Otter". He writes very cheerfully of the work at Fort Simpson. Also says their hearts have been made glad by the birth of another little daughter.

June 13th. "The California" came in last night and we were again disappointed about the minister coming. I heard of Mr. Young and that when he does come he will not have a wife with him. I think it is a great mistake for him to come single, and such a disappointment to me.

Now Mrs. Vanderbilt goes down this Steamer and may not return until next Spring. So I will be left alone again. The disappointment has made me almost sick this morning, I don't feel fit to write. I know it would be so much better to have a minister here who had a family. But I feel as if I would be glad to see any kind of one now. The Indians to are terribly disappointed. They came to me last night. (Tow-a-att and lots to know "how many moons now till preacher man comes", I told them, I could not tell anything about it. I hoped he would come next Steamer, but did not know. Tow-a-att laid his hands on his heart and said "Nica Sick Tum Tum, Wake Si ah Conaway Indian Mama Lousee" Nika Sick Tum Tum (I have sad heart by and by Indians all dead, I have sad sad heart". He felt so badly he shed tears over it. I fear all this delay is going to cause the Indians to lose confidence. Another thing that makes me feel disheartened this morning is that I did not hear from the Board. It does seem very mysterious to me, and really discouraging. In about six weeks the year will be up and I have had not a dollar of salary. I do not think I can hold on much longer. I know it is such a disappointment to Mr. Vanderbilt. If he had not been so kind I should have suffered. As I did not get any

letter from you this mail, I hope you are on your way out here.

For some reason I have not received the last two copies of "The Rocky Mountain Presbyterian". I regret it very much. I think I will order this letter retained at Portland until the first of the month, it may reach you there.

Kind regards to all your family.

Your sister in Christ,
A. R. McFarland.

Trinidad, Col.,
June 8, 1878.

Rev. Sheldon Jackson, D. D.,
Denver, Col.

My dear Doctor Jackson:-

We were just one month coming from Zuni to this place and upon reaching here we were so completely used up that we were glad enough to get into a house and abandon all idea of going further. I am much better than when I came away from Zuni, but am not and I have no expectation that I ever will be well. My grief was so great at leaving Zuni. I had so hoped to die there, that I really hoped as soon as my family was fairly started that I would not live to cross the Rio Grande. But it has been the Lord's will to strengthen me and doubtless for some purpose if I am able to earn a living for my dear ones I shall be thankful. There is a great deal of work to do here, both among the Americans and the Mexicans. Do your very best to get a man for this Church at once. The Conges talk of prospecting in this direction, and it is greatly to be desired that the place be not crowded with Churches like C. S.

An energetic and aggressive work is here in this Church with Mr. Hitton of the Methodist Episcopal could so manage his field that there would be no pretext for any other Church's coming in. It is a matter that demands prompt attention. The C. S. is well maintained, prayer meetings, attended Woman's Mission work carried on and the very best state of feeling existing in the Church. If a man does not do well here it will be his own fault. Poor Zuni, I suppose will be forgotten, and indeed unless the Board is prepared to stand right up to a man better than they did to me no one will ever be got to remain there (this between ourselves of course) I firmly believe Doctor that I would be well and at Zuni today if the Board had made me that little allowance I asked for in October, to enable me to lay in food for the Winter. It was only an advance. I did not wish any further grant. I am thankful to have made the offering. My life seemed to give. I would gladly give another if I had it; I do not complain of that, but the poor people are not to have some one else. I cannot but wish that I had been spared. But the Lord has done his will and I am happy in it.

Come down and see Trinidad and stir us up a little.

We shall be very glad to see you and as they say in Kentucky, I am sure you would do a "powerful sight of good". Come!

Yours truly,

Henry K. Palmer.

Animas Valley,

June 10, 1878.

Rev. Sheldon Jackson, D. D.,
Denver, Col.

Dear Brother:-

I went to Silverton and wrote to you about it. I got back home just in time to head off matters in the direction of Parrot and San Juan. Rev. Pickett stopped with me on his way to Silverton. I am afraid he will not succeed. We must have a church building here soon. It will pay. We are growing. Have splendid Sabbath School. I wish you would come down soon. My people expect you. It will be a great help to me. I wish you to see the ground. No letters yet. Have done my best to hasten getting them. Have ordained two elders. Have splendid Sabbath School, must have church before Fall.

Mr. Covert sends regards.

Yours truly,

W. C. Beebe.

Fairplay,

June 12, 1878.

Rev. Sheldon Jackson, D. D.,
Denver, Col.

Dear Doctor:-

I wrote you one week ago and enclosed an application to the Home Mission Board only partially filled. I had no man to assist me, and had to get two of the ladies of the Church to agree to try to raise \$200 or \$100 for six months. They have made an effort but have not succeeded in raising one half the amount for six months. They can perhaps raise something more on subscription, but they will not at the most get over \$55.00 or \$60.00 salary for six months.

It seems next to impossible to raise money here at this time for religious purposes. Mr. McLain will not lead in the matter as he has done heretofore. (as the Church owes him some \$60.00 or more). Now what am I to do? I do not wish to leave the little church here to die; but, I am inclined to ask you for advice and instructions. And I will agree to stay on here and do the best I can for at least six months, from the time I came. Do not think I would like to stay over Winter in this high altitude, but think I can get a good minister to take my place by the first week in November. Meanwhile I shall do all I can to

rally the moral forces that remain here, and get things in a better shape. I ask your advice in regard to collections. and etc. I am cautioned not to take collections for it will drive the people away & etc. Have taken but one since I have been here, and that was for the Sexon and incidental expenses, and I have acted Sexon twice myself.

Will you please advise me on any other points you deem expedient. Please write soon.

Your Brother in Christ.

C. Moore.

23-Centre Street, New York, N. Y.,
June 12, 1878.

Rev. Sheldon Jackson, D. D.,
Dear Brother Jackson:-

When I left the Woman's Meeting at the First Church, Pittsburg, I had no doubt but you were on my heels. but you slipped off to Washington that evening, I slipped out of town early Wednesday, A. M. following, we failed to meet again, which I regretted much.

Did you laugh or cry over the case of the Freedman? I laughed, but I pity the Freedman. 2. I send you a letter from Welch about the Indians at Fort Hall; have written him that it is your business to look after.

3. McNiece left last night. The Church Erection Board have ordered Dr. Wilson to go out to Salt Lake City and work the ground over. Mr. and Mrs. Parks will be on their way to Logan in a few days I hope. Misses Dunbar and Ross & c. we shall see about. Poor Texas, hangs fire! We can't get anybody to stick for San Antonio or Synodical Missionary. Dr. Palmer still lives and is at Trinidad. Mrs. Palmer is going to Trinidad. The field ought not to be neglected.

Let me hear from you.

Yours truly,

H. Kendall.

New York, N. Y.,
June 12, 1878.

Rev. Sheldon Jackson, D. D.,
Dear Brother Jackson:-

Your letter about Railway Extension 600 miles in your field this year stirs my heart like the blast of a bugle "Hurrah" & "Onward".

I have one or two things I want to write you about outside of your letter. Rev. J. S. McKeehan under appointment for Prescott will probably call on you soon on his way West. Please tell him Dr. Patterson of San Francisco, wants him to pause at

Yuma on his way to Prescott & see a member of his church there. Mr. Wm. H. Tonge pronounced like our word "tongue".

2. Gallagher & his wife I suppose are at Ogden- Has Arnold opened the way for them there? If not ought you not to live at once? Mc Neice has not gone home yet- & Gallagher may find it very rough.

3. Dr. Rice of Duluth was many years a most successful pastor at La Fayette, Ind.- He has been at Duluth mainly for the purpose of getting ind. Malaria out of his system. He is a capital preacher & capital man- I think he has some means of his own - at least, he has had no aid from us at Duluth. He might be cheaper than a young man & he would stand up by the side of Wilson & Stewart & Bliss & Reed & Partridge a Presbyterian, preacher & counsellor.

4. I have written to young Deans, who is here to come in & talk with us about Valmont & Erie & ask him if he Reed cannot take the whole line from Boulder to Longmont- What do you think?

5. I have already written you about Carl. Moore, whom Dr. D. says he knew when he (D) was a boy!

6. We have sent Mrs. McFarland some more money.

7. Rideout &c. will let him work back as soon as he gets well.

Miss Ross is commissioned for Santa Fe or San Luis.

All you say about Silver City, Corrigan- Albuquerque &c. duly appreciated.

8. Bliss has his grant as you request.

9. I see Cryler speaks of Hamilton as on his way to Fort Benton- What does that mean?

10. I send back Mrs. McFarland's letter. We did not commission Miss Dunbar till we hear something more about the need of her at Wrangle.

11. We did not commission Hall & wife for Ocate or the three teachers at Salt Lake City or any others in Utah except Mrs. Gallagher & Mrs. Parks.- We can take up others as we get more right by the July meeting -

Yours truly,

H. Kendall.

Carlisle, Penn. June 3rd, 78

Rev. Sheldon Jackson, D.C.

Dear Sir:

I have recd. a letter from Mrs. Paxton telling me something of the Committee appointed to confer at N. Y. on the organization of the Women's Home Board.

She stated that Mrs. O.E. Boyd would inform me of the date of Meeting & that I was on the Committee Mrs. Newkirk is on that Committee also but I think from a recent letter from her that she does not mean to attend. I wish I had not been put on that Committee for 3 reasons which I unfold to you sub rosa, hoping that I may get some light from you, so that I may understand the affair better.

1st. I fear the proposition to the Ladies B. of Missions in N.Y. City to drop the Foreign work will widen the distance between the H. & For. Boards, will lead to antagonism of the new Board by Church members & pastors when they endeavor to hold Synodical, Presbyterial & Congregational meetings. I think to drop the For. Work & take up the Home work entirely in N. York, would tend to make a wide balance, for the Foreign Work is overdone in portion but do you think the endeavor wise on the whole?

2nd. It has seemed to me that the Church Boards are too far from the present Center of work & sympathy, I have inclined to the view that any New Organization to be National should not be centered east of Cincinnati. What do you think of that?

3. This objection would not have entered my mind but for you! You mentioned in the event of forming a Board I should be required as Secretary, & I do not wish to go to the New York Meeting if that proposition should be brought up there, a Because I could give no instant answer. b Because I think that women could be found of independent means, who must not like myself consider the relinquishing of a profession by which for 18 years they had made their income, & because there would be women possibly to serve who live in New York City & so would not have to change their home with incumbent expenses &c, to fill the place. c Because I do not like to talk business to ladies. Women who have not earned money do not look at money as so many mills to a dollar & to be valued in a ratio of prices current, to them money looks very small when they get it & very large when they pay it out, & finally I could not & cannot in the least define even to myself whether if I were desired to do so, I could take such a place, & if I did it would perhaps be better if I had had no part in the deliberations & had not excited any of the personal hostility that would, be levelled at my work, if any diverting of means from the For. B. were mooted at that meeting. I do not know if I have made myself clear, but I have tried frankly to give my views.

Very Truly,

Julia McFair Wright.

Laramie City, Wyoming,
June 4th, 1878.

Dear Bro. Jackson,

I leave tomorrow P. M. for Fort Benton but do not wish you to make any arrangements for the supply of my place here till I return. I should not go only that my correspondence with the people of that place renders it at least fitting that I should do so. I do not feel that my work is here done yet from developments that have transpired since Presbytery, still I shall follow the leadings of divine Providence so far as the way of His purpose may be made plain. I have sent an appointment to Caden for next Sabbath, and hope to spend the two following Sabbaths and an intervening week at Benton and be here on the first of July. Hope you had a good time at the

Kind regards to Mrs. Jackson & children.

Yours in the Gospel,

Wm. B. Hamilton.

Central City, Col.

June 14th, 1878.

Dear Brother,

I have just received your note of inquiry. I have to say in reply, that the elevation here is too great. Mrs. Johnson feels it more than I do. She has had bronchial trouble all the while since shortly after we came here. Still, if we meet with nothing more unfavorable than we have as yet, I will at least complete my arrangement with this people. I supposed to supply the pulpit for them for a year from the 1st of Oct. next. I will make no other arrangement, unless compelled to do so, until this one is completed.

I have not heard whether you have yet been up to Trail Mt. I hope you will go up & look the field over as soon as you can.

Mrs. Johnston joins in love to yourself & Mrs. Jackson. May the Spirit of the Lord guide your way & bless your work.

Yours truly,

J. W. Johnston.

23 Center St. N. Y.,

June 14, '78.

Dear Bro. Jackson-

Why did you send an old man like Carl Moore up into the Mts. for without knowing anything about the field? An old man like him will do nothing up there- & yet if you send him up to experiment & explore you seem in some sense to make yourself & ourselves responsible for him. My impression is that

Teitsworth killed those fields & they are not worth trying to save.

2. Picket is coming to Col- & that means livelier times on your field than you have seen yet. The Congregationalists are waking up- & you will have to keep your eyes open to the new & to the old fields- What is going on down at Trinidad?

Is no one there yet. What do you know about the field now?

3. Tenney of Colorado Springs College was in for a long talk yesterday. He begins to see the need of female Schools in New Mexico & Utah. Notice what I said on that subject under the head of Woman's Work in my speech before the Assembly. I have given Tenney letters of introduction to Roberts, G.G. Smith Dr. Thomas & McNeice.

What if we should find 25 Yankee School teachers in New M. & Utah in two years?

4. I am glad to learn that Dr. Fairer is now dead!

5. Tenney says there is an old Society for the education of the Indians in Boston, that does not know what to do with its money. They are Unitarians, &c. but are really anxious to do something with the money that will tell. I want the matter locked up. Tenney thinks we might get some of that money for the Presby. Let us try.

6. What shall we do for Zuni & Santa Fe? We must be up & doing-

7. The Board meets next Monday & you may expect to hear from us on various matters soon. Parks & his wife are as good as appointed already.

8. What shall be done about money for church edifices for Utah &c. How about Brigham City.

9. If Dr. Wilson comes out to Salt Lake in July you ought to manage to see him.

10. If all the Northern Indians get on a "rampage", this summer you had better keep out.

Yours truly,

H. Kendall.

OFFICE OF

JOHN E. WINSTAN,

Lincoln, Lincoln County, New Mexico.

Lincoln, N.M., June 15th, 1872.

Rev. Dr. Jackson-- Our work here is encouraging. We greatly need a house to hold our services in. There is a property here in the centre of town- containing a room large enough to hold three hundred people. I tried to buy it & was asked \$2,000 for it- now I am offered the same for \$700 and a span of mules. The property contains about five acres of fenced land- I will give

\$50. of my salary towards purchasing it for the Ch. I can have all the papers drawn up set by a lawyer here who will give his services. I will agree to raise something in addition to what I offer of my salary- from the people, but how much cannot say. I find Pres. scattered up and down this canon & we want to have a home for them. The way it is we are worshipping in a private house & they will not come to a parlor as they would to a ch. I have a small school of 20 scholars half Americans, half Mexicans. They do not pay me any money but give a little of such as they have. Let me hear from you at once on the subject of purchasing the property. Court is held in the house & they pay \$5. per day rent. I want to keep up the school & that is the best place in town for it, we can get it for \$700. cash I know. Write soon & oblige,

Your Obedt. Servt.

T. F. Ealy, M.D.

Fort Wrangel, Alaska,
June 15/78.

Rev. Sheldon Jackson, D.D.
Denver, Col.

My dear Sir:

I beg to acknowledge the receipt of your esteemed favors of 11th & 30th Mar. press of business prevented me from acknowledging them last mail- we sincerely thank you for the interest you have taken in Alaska and for your assistance in helping Mr. Lear to procure his right of title to his land. We are anxiously looking for Congressional action, as yet have seen nor heard anything. We are looking forward to your visit here with a great deal of pleasure- My wife and Mr. Lear join me in kind regards.

Yours truly,

J.M. Vanderbilt.

OFFICE OF C. C. SMITH,
ATTORNEY-AT-LAW.

Rawlins, Wyo., June 17, 1878.

Rev. Sheldon Jackson,
Denver, Col.

Dear Sir,

Your favor of June 12th to hand is pleased to hear you are coming here. I shall be absent from home from the 25th of June to July 4th & hope you may arrange to come when I am gone. Should you come while I am away call on

and consult with W. D. France James France - J. B. Adams R. W. Baxter R. M. Galbraith R. J. Sharp W. S. Cox R. B. Robinson A. E. Edgerton and P. L. Smith- Go to Mess. France first. If I am home will introduce you. I met you several times in Denver in 1874 I believe--

Very truly,
G. C. Smith.

Lansing, Michigan,
June 19/78.

Rev. Sheldon Jackson,

Dear Sir- The question has arisen in our Mission Society whether- we now have any foreign Mission in N. America or are they all changed to home Missions? Have been much interested in your amounts of Home Missions in the Evangelist.

Please write & tell us these questions I have asked for. Many of our Ladies are interested in Home work & the more definite the knowledge the better we shall work. Please tell anything you think best for I suppose you are the best posted man we have on Home work. Answer soon

Mrs. L. L. Carr,
Lansing, Mich.

N. J.
Bloomfield, June 19th, '78.

Dr. Sheldon Jackson,

Dear Friend.

My sister and I often think of your visit of last February, and still feel much interest in the Alaska mission. We were glad to know that what we had given for Philip could be used in paying for comforts which had been provided for him, though he had passed beyond the need of earthly comfort, before we placed it in your hands. No other disposition of it could have been so pleasant to us, and we thank you for letting us know that it was so appropriated. We would like to do something for his wife and child, though we have not decided how much, as yet. Will you be kind enough to let us know what would be the cost per year of educating the little boy, and whether you consider this the most desirable thing to do for them just now?

According to your suggestion I wrote to Mrs. McFarland, asking for a specimen of Alaska moss and ferns. Her response was unexpectedly generous. She sent me a boxful of moss, shells, and leaves, and two of the largest garnets I ever saw. There was so much moss that I thought I would try to sell some of it, and pressed and mounted it for that purpose. I have over five dollars as proceeds, and hope to get a little more and

surprise her with an unexpected return for her kindness.

We were rather disappointed at the action of the General Assembly, in regard to the work of the Home Board, but hope the "special contributions" which you are allowed to receive for Alaska, &c. will render you abundantly able to carry on your new missions.

Sister Fanny united with me in much regard and best wishes for yourself and your work.

Very sincerely,

Box 24, Bloomfield, N.J.

Eliza B. Triswell.

Garland City, Col.

June 20-78.

Dr. Jackson,

Dear Bro-

After a pleasant trip of 25 travelling days, without accident or loss, we have reached Garland. I sold my horses & baggage without trouble (to Bro. Roberts) and to-morrow eve hope to start for Fla. We find it much cheaper and better to go via the Topeka and Santa Fe, so shall branch off at Pueblo. Thanks for your Permit we received at Taos. Yours, J. A. Merrill.

Taos, New Mexico,
June 20" 1878.

Dr. Jackson,

Dear Sir:

I wrote you a few days ago asking if it would be possible to obtain half fare over the Denver & Rio Grande R.R. Since writing that I have felt the need of rest so much that I've decided to go home, where I can let the burden of all care and restraint off, and rest I think as nowhere else--and, as free passage to Trinidad has been provided me, it will cost little more than remaining here, if I can secure half fare. Can I get such over the Atchison, Topeka & Santa Fe R.R. to Kansas City or Hannibal or Quincy? My home is on the Hannibal & St. Joe, R.R. If I can will you please kindly on receipt of this, fill out and send whatever ticket of recommendation may be necessary to the Superintendent of the road, and have return order sent directly to me. I want to leave in two or three weeks, and the time is so short that I am constrained to ask you to do this in order to secure whatever is necessary to avail myself of half fare, as quickly as possible.-- You will confer a very great favor by thus acting for me. Dr. Jackson, I do hope I am not asking too much-- Mrs. Roberts thought Mr. R. had some tickets I could myself forward

to the superintendent but he cannot find them, and I did not like to wait until his return, although he is expected on Saturday, and is bringing with him a young lady teacher for Taos.

The baby is sick, and the other children are not well, so we shall be especially glad to see Mr. R.

Mr. & Mrs. Merrill spent last Sunday with us.

I forgot to inclose a stamp in my other letter which omission considerably annoyed me, so now I rectify it.

Kind regards to Mrs. Jackson, and also to Mrs. Haines.

I'll thank you now for your kindness for I feel sure you will do all that is best to enable me to secure half fare, and as quickly as possible.

Yours Sincerely,
Mary Burnham.

Antelope Springs,
Colorado, June 22d, 1878.

Dear Sir:

This is to let you know of my safe arrival here despite the perils of the road. We had a narrow escape near Alamosa where the iron support of the body straps was bent outward & knocked the spokes out of the hind wheel of the stage, upsetting us of course, while the horses ran off with the fore wheels. I escaped without a scratch through God's care, no body was badly hurt.

At Colorado Springs I met Mr. Hart who was at Silverton last year & who with Mrs. Juesby managed the Sabbath school there. He gave me some valuable information.

Harry C. Janeway.

James Mission, New Mexico, June 22d-78.

Rev. Sheldon Jackson, D. C.

Dear Doctor

Your letter of the 12th came yesterday. We also read the papers and thank you for them. We will be glad of anything like that here. The little Indians like pictures and seem very glad to get them. It takes a good many presents and a good amount of patience & kindness to win these little Aztecs and secure their confidence. In regard to a church organization I think we had better wait until you come and it may be by that time there may be something done about buildings. As soon as there is a prospect of help from any quarter I want to try to secure a little ground for Mission buildings and then we can build as we can. You may depend on us doing all we possibly can towards buildings if we can get some help. We feel very much encouraged so far in our work here and it seems to me that

just now is the time that buildings should be put up and the Mission made a permanent thing. The cost would not need to be very great with good management and neither the Board or the Government would feel it much or some churches in the East might help. But I want you to know that I am not pleading for our own comfort particularly. I have the best interests of the good work here at heart when I say that no man can make it as successful as it should be without some kind of buildings that would be comfortable and convenient and enable a man to teach and live with his family as civilization would require that he should. In regard to the relics I have one petrefaction that might be of use to you and I will see about more for you by the time you come. Enclosed please find a few stamps and if you can I wish you would send a copy of the July number of your paper to my Father, Andrew Shields, Esq., Gilpin P.O. Indiana Co., Pa. A copy to Rev. W. Gibson, Coveade, Indiana Co., Pa. and one to Rev. S. M. Davis, Wellsville, Ohio.

We want you & Mrs. J. to do a favor for us if you can. Could you go to Knight Clark and Co., No. 307 Fifteenth St., Denver and pick up a Domestic Sewing Machine? I send a leaf of the Catalogue of Machines & prices and the one we want is marked as you will see. If you will be so kind as to select one and see what is the best they would do we will send a check for it by return mail and have it shipped to some merchant at Santa Fe.

They offered us one at \$10 less than price list which is probably as well as they could do.

We send kind regards and remain

Yours in Christ,

J. M. Shields.

Navajo Agency, A. T.
June 24th 1878.

Rev. Shelton Jackson,
Denver, Col.

Dear Sir:

Your favor of the 29th ult. dated at Washington, is to hand. If you had enquired of the Indian Commission as to what suggestions, recommendations or applications had been made by me to the Department in reference to the relocation of this Agency; the erection of new buildings, including not less than two for boarding-schools; the employment of Matrons as well as teachers; authority to make use of supplies and goods belonging to the tribe in feeding and clothing the school children and thus compel them to come in"; the \$30.00 due the tribe and applicable for the purposes here indicated, he could have told you that formal application had been made, looking to the above changes, within a few days after my taking

charge of the Agency. I beg you will not fall into the error of supposing that I am waiting for you or any one else to lead me into the path of duty in this regard. Your suggestions are good enough, but entirely unnecessary, and would, moreover, lead others unacquainted with the facts in the case, to suppose that I had been negligent in my duty in this very important matter. On three different occasions I have urged upon the attention of the Indian Bureau the pressing necessity for the laying of foundations for permanent schools before the termination of treaty relations with this tribe, but have had no encouragement, not even a reply.

This is all I could do. Without the co-operation of the Dept. I am powerless. I think I told you that the ruling of the Commissioner had put an effectual barrier in the way of maintaining even a small school at the Agency, and if no action is taken by him in the matter of change of location and the erection of new buildings, all efforts to educate the Navajo children by the government must prove unavailing, and the work will develop entirely upon the Church.

The letters addressed by me to the Hon. Comr. on this subject are dated April 13th- May 1st & May 30th, respectively.

Yours very truly,

John E. Pyle.

Mt. Pleasant, Utah,

June 25-78.

Dear Bro. Jackson:

Will be most happy to meet you at Bro. Leonard's at Springville July 10 or at Nephi 11th as you will learn when you reach Leonard's.

We might hold our Pow wow in Pleasant Valley- half way between here & Springville on 13 & 14- only it would close seven Sabbath Schools for that Sabbath. All arrangements will be made when you reach here. The Manti people want to see you & hear you preach. We will probably arrange for communion service at Manti & ordain those elders.

Mother is here now- though not much improved.

In haste,

D. J. McMillan.

Silverton, Colorado, June 27th 78.

Dear Doctor:

You see I have arrived at my post but alas! it is already occupied. Rev. Mr. Pickett from Colorado Springs Superintendent of Missions for the Congregational Church is already on the ground and has united the Church people so far as to have them agree to send for a Mr. Roberts from Yale Seminary.

Mr. Pickett will hold the fort until his arrival. Under the circumstances it seems clear that I am not needed here. The religious element in the place is so small, that it would seem to me to be really wrong to try to found a second Utah church where a single one would be none too strong. Mr. Pickett says that he has been at Ouray & Animas but finding that we had entered there, he at once gave up all idea of establishing a Congregational church at either of these points. In other words he expects us to do the same by him. I have not been able to see Mr. Munroe yet but I called last night on Mrs. Luesley who helped to keep the Sunday School alive. She says that the people are very much pleased with Mr. Pickett, and are in quite a unanimous state. The Congregationalists do not propose to form one of their own churches yet but simply to prepare for it. So it seems only right for me to gracefully depart and leave the field open entirely to Mr. Roberts. I wish him God-speed with all my heart for they need a church here exceedingly.

As soon, then, as Father's check arrives I will leave this sequestered vale expecting to find a letter from you at Antelope Park (care C. W. Brooks) telling me what next to do. Perhaps you had better send a postal to Silverton also in case I should be detained here. I have felt rather badly at finding my way closed in this way but perhaps the Lord thinks that I am not fit for such a post. At any rate his will be done, and I think I am doing it in leaving the field open to his servant of a like faith, who will probably do far better than I. I had very little trouble in crossing the range. From Brock's to Shaw's Cabin near the summit I went by saddle horses and miserable lazy brutes they were. From Shaw's to Howardsville I tramped but my great mountain boots showed me what a 'tender-foot' I am, so that I rode from H. on an ore wagon. The road was so bad that I feared at times that I would enter Silverton in a most interesting condition with my head smashed in by going over the side of the wagon. However such was not my fate. I was reserved for the mental blow of finding my 'occupation gone'. There is one thing that I should have told you before leaving Denver, but could not do it hoping that it would not be necessary. But unpleasant re-mindings make it necessary now. I am a good deal troubled with depression of spirits so if you can give me some post that will demand a great deal of constant riding which I hope will help me, please do so. But if not I must fight it through by God's help where I am needed. Please do not think me weak in making this confession & request for it is wrung out of me.

Yours,

Harry L. Janeway.

Silverton, Colorado, June 29th, 78.

Dear Doctor:

Yours of June 24th at Fair Play is before me. As I wrote you on the 27 inst. Mr. Pickett is here, has united all those who care anything about a church so far as to get them to call Mr. Roberts of New Haven. The organization is not called a Congregational church at present but of course that is the design in view. I have spoken with Mrs. Luesley and Mr. Munroe and they will both say that it would be very poor policy to introduce at present another church and most of all a Presbyterian church since it is so slightly different from the Congregational that most persons would fail to see any necessity for it, and it would only produce bad feeling. Mr. Pickett had been here nearly three weeks before I came and had clearly the right of possession. His yielding the ground at Alamosa and Animas, I think should also be considered. He has treated me very well since I have been here in every way. It seems to me and I submit it respectfully, that to go on now would only produce bad feeling between two churches that ought to be in sympathy.

Now if I had been sent in here at the expense of the Board of course I should obey orders and go right ahead. But as it is at Father's expense that I have come I feel that I must follow what I am sure would be his views in the matter and respectfully decline. If there is to be a Presbyterian Church established here, I cannot conscientiously do it at the present time. If it were a Methodist or an Episcopal Church it might be different; but the Congregationalists are too much like ourselves for me to enter into rivalry with them in a field like this. Some other man may do it but I cannot.

Thanks for your kind encouragement at the close of your letter. I like the field here very well and I have learned a great deal since I have been here. I wish with all my heart that it was open to me for I feel that I could do good here. But very probably Mr. Roberts can do better than I, at least Prov. seems to indicate as much. When I left home Father said, "Follow Providence" and this I am trying to do though the road seem a roundabout one. I have prayed over this matter and have not made up mind hastily, I think. But now I feel that I have determined. Please remember me to your family.

As I said in my last letter I will come out by way of Barber's as soon as Father sends his check. I cannot hear of any town of importance in the San Juan still unoccupied so I hope to save time by coming out.

Please address as before care C. W. Brooks, Antelope Springs.

Harry L. Janeway.

#23 Center Street, New York,
June 20th, 1878.

Dear Brother Jackson:-

Your letter about Railway Extension, six hundred (600) miles in your field this year stir my heart like the blast of a bugle! "Hurrah" "Onward".

I have one or two things I wan't to write you about outside of your letter. Rev. J. L. McKeehan under appointment for Prescott will probably call on you soon on his way West. Please tell him Dr. Fatterson of San Francisco wants him to pause at Luna on his way to Prescott and see a minister of his church there, Mr. William H. Tonge, (pronounced like our word tongue).

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Yours truly, H. Kendall.

"Alaska".

S. H. Young.	- - - -	Fort Wingate.	-(Chilcats)	-1200.
Mrs. McFarland.	- - - -	" "	-(20)	- 500.
Miss Dunbar.	- - - -	" "	-(80)	- 500.

"Sitka".

J. G. Brady.	- - - -	Sitka.	- - - -	-
Miss Kellogg.	- - - -	"	-(65)	- 500.

"Washington Terr"

M. G. Mann.	- - - -) / / /	- - - -	-100.
		Barnard, Michigan.	- - - -	- 400.
		Slingerland, Wis.	- - - -	- <u>125.</u>
				3425.

"Indian Terr."

J. Elliot.	- - - -	Muskogee	- - (700)	- - - 700.
S. A. Stoddard.	- - - -	Fort Gibson.	- (700)	- - - 700.
T. W. Perryman.	- - - -	Wealka.	- - (350)	- - - 300.

New Mexico".

J. M. Shields.	- - - -	()	- (400)	- - - 400.
J. Menaul.	- - - -	Laguna.	- -(400)	- - - 400.
T. F. Ealy.	- - - -	Zuni.	- (500)	- - - 500.
Mrs. T. F. Ealy.	- - - -	"	- (76)	- - - 500.
Miss J. Hammake.	- - - -	"	- (76)	- - - 500.
Mrs. J. M. Shields.	- - - -	Laguna.	- -(42)	- - - 500.
Mrs. Menaul.	- - - -	"	- (50)	- - - 500.

"Arizona".

A. H. Donaldson,	- - - -	-Navajos.	- - - -	- <u>1400.</u>
				\$6450.
				<u>\$3425.</u>
				\$9875.

At the June Meeting of the BOARD OF HOME MISSIONS of the
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH, the following action was taken on the
applications from your Synod - 2 cards-

23 Centre St., New York, 7/1 1878.	Date of Comm'n.	Amount Asked.	Amount Granted.
J. G. Reed-----	5. 1. 78.	400	400
E. M. Deems-----	5. 13. "	500	500
C. A. Holm-----	4. 15. "	700	600
G. N. Smith-----	3. 1. "	800	500
J. M. Otis- referred for correspondence			
A. M. Darley-----	2. 19. "		600
W. P. Teitsworth-----	Referred for correspondence.		
Carl Alowe-----	" "	"	"
J. S. Merritt-----	1. 15. 78.	700	700
D. E. Finks-----	6. " "	500	500
G. M. Darley-----	5. " "	1000	800
T. E. Bliss-----	1. 1. "	400	400
J. Wilson-----	4. 1. "	500	250
G. G. Smith-----			added 100
J. E. Russell- Referred for correspondence			
S. B. Crittender-----	5. 1. 78.	800	800.
P. O. BOX 3863.		H. KENDALL,) CYRUS DICKSON.)	Sec's.

At the June Meeting of the BOARD OF HOME MISSIONS of the
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH, the following action was taken on the
applications from your Presbytery of Utah.

23 Centre St., New York, 7. 1. 78.	Date of Comm'n.	Amount Asked.	Amount Granted.
D. J. McMillan-----	3. 1. 78.	1000	1000
C. M. Parks-----	7. 1. "	1000	1000
Mrs. " "-----	7. 1. "	300	300
" G. W. Gallagher-----	8. 2. "	300	300
P. O. BOX 3863.		H. KENDALL,) CYRUS DICKSON.)	Sec's.

Leadville, Colorado.

July 1878.

We the Undersigned Members of Presbyterian and other Evan-
gical Churches in good and regular standing, wishing to
procure for ourselves and others the privileges of the Church
of our Choice, do hereby request Rev. Sheldon Jackson D. D.

Supt. of Presbyterian Missions, Rev. Lewis Hamilton and Rev. H. L. Janeway to organize us into a Presbyterian Church on the First Sabbath of August 4 1878.

<u>Name.</u>	Former Church Connection.
Geo. M. Robinson.	1st Pres. Ch. E. Springfield, Pa.
Soffia Grobb	Lutheran.
Mrs. A. R. Meyer	Central Pres. Ch. Denver, Col.
W. J. Finton	Washburn Church, Arkansas.
Mrs. Sarah Harrison	Alma Church
Lou H. Updegraff	Iowa
Henry E. Wood	Joliet Illinois
J. C. Burns	Cumberland Pres. Ch. Leavenworth, Kan.
Mrs. Charles Mater	Central Pres. Ch. Denver, Col.
George Darling	Scotch Pres. Ch. Chicago, Ill.
David Murray	Presbyterian Ch. Birmingham,
Margaret Murray	" " "
Samuel M. Patterson	

Denver, Colorado,

1878 (?)

Hon. Stanley Matthews,
U. S. Senate.

Dear Brother:-

Your kind offices last spring at the request of the Synod of Colorado secured from Hon. Secretary Schurz additional facilities for the carrying on of our Mission work among the Indians in New Mexico, for which Synod will send you a letter of thanks when it next meets.

We now desire your kind offices in another direction. The Indian Bureau of Department of the Interior has asked for an appropriation for Educational purposes in Alaska, which will probably be granted. This will require an Agent or Commissioner for the establishment of those schools. The Presbyterian is the only denomination that has taken any interest in Alaska education. We have five teachers there. It is probable however that the Roman Catholics would like the Agency. It is proposed that as I have had 20 years experience on the frontier in similar work that I apply for the position, which I will do. Inquiring around among politicians as to the best method of reaching Mr. Schurz, whom I understand to be unfriendly to the Denominations, I am told that there is no man in or out of Con-

gress that has as much personal influence with Mr. Schurz, and also with President Hayes as yourself. This seems a special Providence that you should have such influence just at a time when the fate of the natives of Alaska are to be decided. For you well know that their whole future will be decided by the first act of placing them under Protestant or Roman Catholic influences.

And you hold the decision in your hands.

I will be in Washington immediately after the recess, and if you spend the recess in Cincinnati may see you there. In the meantime if the opportunity is afforded you either with Mr. Hayes or Mr. Schurz of preparing the way for my appointment as Agent for Establishment of schools in Alaska, please avail yourself of it.

Your Brother in Christ,
Sheldon Jackson.

Trinidad, Colorado., July, 1, 78.

My Dear Doctor:-

There has been a good deal of unpleasant feeling manifested since you were here and of course it has not lacked fostering care and the most possible is made of everything and especially (on the part of some) of anything open to criticism on your part. Mr. Merriam is much vexed that you have not written him as you promised and sent him the address. Another member says "I guess Jackson's forgotten us and we had as well go over to the Methodists". Hilton preached on bigotry last Sunday and took for a text St. Luke IV. 40 & 50., and had about as well said "I was doing a good work here but because it was not a Presbyterian work Dr. J. comes down and forbids".!!! He has not preached in our church since and holds services every Sunday Evening in his own. I very much fear that one or two families will fall away or be in a most critical condition when a minister does come and ready for a pretext to carp and find fault. So I hope you will write Mr. Merriam at once and according to your judgment mollify and encourage. Please do not of course intimate that you have heard of any disaffection and excuse me if I am over zealous. I am falling and fear I shall soon be down. I do think the B's ought to pay me back my traveling expenses.

Kind regards from Mrs. P. and self.

Truly Yours,
Henry R. Palmer.

Santa Fe, New Mexico.

July 3rd, 1873.

Dear Friend:--

I have dismissed School for an indefinite vacation, not knowing if a new teacher would be here soon or not. I still teach a class or two in the mornings but they wish me to begin again next month, with the number we had I found it difficult to do my work and teach, but because of low finances had to. Your friends in Iowa City sent me \$7.20 and the little boy came to me Monday- I referred the Society to you to decide the amount necessary for his board and clothing. I have been asked to teach in a school which the citizens are trying to establish. Mr. Smith, I have learned called a meeting, but when they decided on making it non sectarian with drew his name. A boy of sixteen who recites to me in the evenings, is very anxious to come and live with me, so I can help him get an education, but his mother depends on his wages for support. If he could get \$50.00 per year he would be glad to come. He could be quite a help to me as the other boy is quite small for his age- eleven years. And the little boy from Aleman adds to my household cares.

Do you think Colorado Springs would do any thing for our boys? A Presbyterian Mexican is coming here to live in September. I am so thankful, as just now I am making special efforts to have readings in my own room Sabbaths. Have just been gladdened by a visit from Dr. Shields and wife, who are here on business.

July 4th, 1873.

Have just received a letter from Mr. Roberts who says he can send me some more Mexican Children. So now if I can possibly dispose of my proposition to establish a home for pupils from other places, who are unable to pay full tuition, I will do it.

Do you know of any party who would be willing to take property, paying part down, the balance in yearly payments, and if I should not be spared until the payments are all made, the balance to go to the institution, if it be established, if not to missionary fund. How much can you send me three copies of the R. M. P. for? I wish to get some of the ladies to take it. Is Mrs. Agnes Young of Logansport a subscriber? I intend writing her this week. She is able to help us along- This other business too I will write about. Pray for my success. The work here is encouraging of late, but I am thinking of putting my watch in pawn, so I will not have

to make bills, i.e, a little while.

Yours in hope,

M. E. Griffith.

Denver, Colorado.

Rev. Sheldon Jackson.,

Rev. and Dear sir:-

The Ladies of the "Missionary Society of the First Church of the Chicago M. S., have commissioned me, to correspond with you in order to elicit some information, in regard to the general interests of the cause, in the N. W., to ascertain the boundaries of the Foreign and Domestic fields, and any other intelligence you may think proper to communicate, in relation to the workings of the various tributaries of the great cause, to which you are devoting your highest energies; and which is so much indebted to your wisdom and laboring piety, for its present prosperity and future prospects.

The Ladies here until quite recently, were laboring in the exclusive interests of the "Foreign Missionary Society"; But now having resolved to embrace equally with this the claims of the Domestic Cause, we apply to you for instruction and guidance, not only that we may proceed on a more intelligent basis, but derive new interest, and vitality, in this department of christian effort.

Very respectfully,

Mary A. Kay.

Lansing July 5th, 1873.

The "Rocky Mountain Presbyterian" came to my late husband (Rev. R. Kay) until his death,- Should you think best to continue to my address, it may prove no less to the cause. Please address Mrs. Richard Kay.

Lansing ,

Michigan.

Alamasa, Colorado. July 5th, 1873.

Rev. Sheldon Jackson, D. D.

Denver, Colorado.

Dear Brother:-

God willing, we dedicate July 21st. Can't you come down and assist me? I hope H. B. Gage will come along also, but I'll need backing that day for various reasons.

I've heard from you about January but he had not arrived when I left. I'll write fully,-

Yours,

G. M. Dailey.

Fort Frangel, Alaska. July 9, 78.

Rev. Sheldon Jackson D. D.

I had not commenced any letter to you for this mail as we certainly expected to see you by this Steamer. Mr. Vanderbilt was dreadfully disappointed as through my persuasion he has remained at home nearly three weeks to meet you, and for no person to come. We are all very much depressed. Last Steamer we had heard as I wrote you that a minister and his wife were aboard. So I got my girls to help me clean up a house, and get it all ready for them, of course when they did not come the girls were very much disappointed. This time we felt so sure that some person would come that I got the boy's and men to bring us a lot of greens on Saturday and trim up the school house for church. It does look beautiful. But when the Steamer came in and no minister the indians said well "we will not do any thing more." It is no use, we do not believe any person is coming. I cannot blame them, I have not felt so depressed since I came here, as I do today. Not only on account of this disappointment, but I heard nothing from the "Board" not a dollar of money, now it is almost a year since the date of my commission, and not any salary sent me yet. Dr. if it were not that I know it would be death to the cause here, I should go right down on this Steamer. Then the idea has been held out to every body that we were going to build a church here this summer, and yet nothing is being done, and here on the top of all this a Catholic Priest came on this Steamer. No person knows what he is going to do. But he brought a trunk with him, which looks as if he were going to stay. I would not be surprised to see him commence a church before the week is out. If he has come with the design of doing any thing here he will be smart enough to take advantage of the state of mind the indians are now in. This I don't know anything about. He may be going into the interior. The Captain has his wife and daughter on the Steamer, and he has invited me to take a trip to Sitka with them. I have decided to go as it will not cost me anything. I will write you fully about the "Home" matter in a few days, and will send the letter by the first Victoria boat. Saturday morning. We have just got in from

Sitka, I have only time to close this up. Hope to hear from you soon.

Yours truly,

A. R. McFarland.

Have not time to read over any of this scribbling, excuse all mistakes.

Rochester, N. Y. July 8th, 1878.

Rev. Sheldon Jackson:-

Dear sir:

Enclosed please find the Fifty Dollars (\$50.00) sent you by your Sunday School of St. Peters Presbyterian Church of this city. We were glad of the definite character of our bequest, as it seems so much more real to the children, and it increases their desire to give. Please let us hear from you frequently. You get this in part in return for the paper you sent me, and for which I could not pay had it stopped. There is nothing like casting the bread on the waters. Any encouraging words you may receive from Alaska will always interest the children.

Very truly,

M. H. Merriman.

Elizabeth, N. J. July 9th, 1878.

My dear Brother Jackson:-

Many thanks to you for sending back my letters to you before the Assembly, and those written to you by two or three of the brethren I had no doubt in my mind about you doing all that was in your power. I am just as much indebted to you friends that voted for me as if I had been elected.

If it should ever fall in my way to return the favor you may rely on my doing it. I have just returned from a business trip to Hudson, Wisconsin. That and the General Assembly together with a visit from a cousin a minister in Wales and his wife will render it impossible for me to visit the Yellow Stone this summer. I cannot give Cook much encouragement to look for me this year. I think I can promise to go out there next year.

I have given you tables of contributions to Mrs. Haines to take with her to the conference on Thursday. We must put to work with more vigor. Kindest regards to Mrs. J.-

Yours ever,

Wm. C. Roberts.

Lake City, Colorado, July, 9, 78.

Dear Brother Jackson:-

Yours of the 5th at hand. I thank you for your kind christian letter.

You have been a kind friend to me, and what you wrote in your letter is good and I receive it in the same spirit that it was written in: the spirit of love.

I shall open the church and try to hold my ground; they are talking of building a smelter near Capitol, and I may get work on that.

I feel as though I had not written you as fully as I ought-

You know dear brother that I have worked at my trade and preached at the same time before I came to Colorado and since: and God knows that I am willing to do so again.

I am neither afraid nor ashamed of hard work: but the trouble is I cannot get one days work in Lake City: I have tried day after day but failed, there is nothing doing, times are very dull.

When I started for Denver the first of May, I had 30 members in my church and they agreed to pay me \$25.00 per month, now I have about ten and they say they cannot pay the \$25.00 per month.

When I wrote you about the church being closed I was driven to it, nothing but bread on my table, and Mrs.D. with a nursing baby. I tell you Brother Jackson that is more than the Lord requires of his servants at the present day.

As far as I am individually concerned I am willing to do anything that the cause of Christ may prosper. You know that I have never refused to go where duty called. As for looking back thank God it never entered my mind.

I shall always preach- I am willing to work all day at my trade and preach every night, and if you think that I closed the church because I was angry you do me a wrong. I closed it because I was heart sick and could not preach.

I am convinced that the closing of the church has done a great deal of good: it has waked the people up. I never knew before how many friends I had in Lake City and outside of the church as well as in it. I know now that I have been to blame in part at least- The people say "why we never thought but that you had plenty you are always cheerful": and never complain while the Methodist Episcopal Minister is always complaining and his members are always begging for him: so we always go

to hear you preach but give our money to the Methodist Episcopal preacher. The Methodist Episcopal minister leaves this week, he has had no one to preach to and they are raising money to send him out of the town: so I will have the field to myself.

You have no idea how dull everything is, the town looks as though it had been deserted.

All I ask is a living for myself and family.

"But if any provide not for his own and especially for those of his own house he hath denied the faith and is worse than an infidel".

Dear Brother never think for one moment that I shall ever stop telling the story of the cross: Christ has done much for me, and God knows that I desire to do what little I can for the blessed Master.

But I am human and cannot stand every thing, I know that I am impulsive and often do and say things that are wrong: yet with all my faults I know that I have the cause of Christ at heart. I am willing to endure hardships as you well know I have endured, but when my family is brought to want, I feel it my duty as a christian and as a man to provide for them: the Lord will give us our daily bread if we try to help ourselves but not one mouthful will he provide for the indolent: God may see that it is for my good to be in straitened circumstances: when I was making money I forgot the Lord and wandered far away and drank deep and long at the fountain of sin and pleasure. You no doubt think that I have a miserable temper, grant it to be so: no one knows it better than I do, nor regrets it more. Yet I believe that I control my temper every day of my life better than some men control all their lives.

"Whilst in the furnace Lord sit by,
 Thou great Refiner purify:
 Perfect the work thy grace begins
 And cleanse our heart from secret sins,
 Make all our heavenly armors light,
 And nerve us for the Christian fight;
 In Thy great Name our banner raise,
 Our God Our Glory and our Praise".

Do the best you can for me, and I will try and stay in Lake City. I shall try and get the \$20.00 Brother Smith owes me, if I had that it would help me.

I wish I could see you and talk with you a few moments. I think I could convince you that I am not so far out of the

way as you think. I tell you Brother Jackson that I have had to stand alone ever since I came to Lake City. I have kept friendly with every one, and people say, "Darley goes for us but he believes he is right and we respect him for it". But they keep on with their card playing and dancing and I keep on with my plain preaching. Mr. Little says that his Father believes in dancing, and Mrs. Patric says the same: and the result is a dance or a card party always has the preference to prayer meetings. But such is life, for the cause of Christ I often wish that I had no members in my church, because card-playing, dancing christians are stumbling blocks.

Mrs. Darley wishes to be remembered to you.

Yours in the one hope,
George M. Darley.

Ogden, July, 9th, 1878.

Rev. Sheldon Jackson, D. D.

Dear Brother:-

I have been waiting till I had a few facts before writing to you. I feel that I am under obligations to you for the kind interest you have taken in this field and for your kind hints to me concerning preparations for travel.

My wife and I arrived here on June 12th. On Sabbath 10th of June we opened Sabbath School at eleven o'clock. The Scholars present were three. We had a Sabbath School with as few as three. On June 23rd our Sabbath School numbered twelve scholars and three teachers, Mr. W. G. Kase, Mrs. Gallether, and myself. On the 30th we had twenty one scholars and four teachers. Our sabbath School July 9th, numbered twenty five scholars and four teachers. We have about thirty scholars in all. I wish we had a good Sunday School library and papers for the children. I feel the need of lesson papers, children papers, and more Sabbath School books. I would like to get Hymnals for our church services, but hardly know where to get them. I have written to Mr. Madge of Princeton telling him our wants, and am in hopes that we will receive from him some help. I am not certain about his help, if you can suggest anything in the meantime I shall be obliged to you. We need Catechisms also.

Our Sabbath evening services have been well attended. My first congregation numbered thirty. The next June twenty-third numbered forty-eight; that of June thirtieth, fifty-eight, and that of July 9th, forty-eight, making an average of forty-six for the four Sabbath evenings I have been here. The people

seem to be pleased with the prospect of a Presbyterian church here. There has been no promised help, but they have given us encouraging words and full collections on Sabbath evenings. The four Sabbath evening collections amounting to \$12.00

When we came we had no organ and on my own responsibility I bought one on time from a dealer here, we pay one hundred dollars for it with two per cent interest and have twelve months to pay it in. My plan is to pay for it from the collections. I am sure we can do it.

I found a months rent due for the hall when I arrived. I had very little money myself but paid the \$13.66 out of my pocket.

When in the East I saw Dr. Dixon about the rent of the hall, he referred me ^{to} the Board of Church Erection. The Board of Church Erection would have nothing to do with it. I could get no provision for it so came on hoping to get it from the people. I think they will after we are organized. The collection of July 7th, ~~was~~ \$4.20, I appropriated to paying the rent of the hall, and obtained a promise from Mr. W. G. Kase that he would pay the balance himself. So the rent is paid till August 5th. But I wish I could secure the payment of the rent for the next two months without having to make an appeal to the people. After the church is organized I can secure help from the people better than at present and I do not think it wise to press the people for money now. Mr. Arnold told Mr. Peebles that there was some provision for the rent of the hall, do you know of any?

We are getting on nicely here and I think we will succeed well. I am at present financially embarrassed. I spent all my money in coming here and in starting to keep house on a very moderate scale. My wife and myself have had some good laughs over the extent of our furniture, however we are willing to work away and hope for better things bye and by. Our salary is sufficient for us if we could secure it in advance. We had not expected to go to house keeping and are at present very much cramped. I have asked Dr. Dixon to advance me what remains of my first quarters salary, \$100, but do not know whether he will. Could you loan us fifty dollars till September? If you can do so you will greatly oblige me.

The Princeton ladie's here promised to fit up the school and we have no misgivings on that score.

I send you my kindest regards for your temporal and spiritual welfare.

Yours in Christ,

George W. Gallacher.

Sitka, Alaska, July 9th, 1878.

Rev. Sheldon Jackson, D. D.

My dear friend:-

I just arrived last night from a three weeks trip to the northward on a little steamboat with some miners who went out prospecting for copper. We went as far north as the glaciers which shoot into the ocean below Lituga Bay. Our 45 tons Steamer was too light for the great swells which the wind began to raise so we decided it best to return. I was very anxious to enter Port De Francaise for I wanted to dig up the bottle at the foot of the monument which Perouse erected upon Cenotaph Island in memory of ^{the} sad event that occurred there.

I could write you a long letter about glaciers which I saw, but I have not time for that now, for the Californian came yesterday morning and will leave some time tomorrow.

I read your letter with interest. I have answered Mr. Keeler's and will answer the other. Your lectures have been doing good in some quarters. I urged Mr. Keeler to get friends to pay his salary and then apply to the Home Board to be sent to labor among the Hoonas a tribe in Cross Sound just off Chatham Strait on what appears to be part of Chichagoff I. We anchored the second night right at the ranch. They have a beautiful harbor and lots of their houses appeared to be new. Two close together and stockade around them. The frames for some new houses were up. I counted twenty-four of these large

. The wooden tombs were scattered about in sections. The population of this village is between . The houses were all closed and not a soul was to be seen unless that of some old doctor, who dwelt in an old house which kept a sort of gloating. Before we left next morning a young indian and his wife put in an appearance and gave us some fine salmon-three for four leaves of tobacco. The people were all out in their quarters drying fish and hunting seals. The territory seems to be divided between the various families for hunting and fishing though there was one beach where many were congregated for I counted sixty-one canoes as we passed. One day when we were among the icebergs which came down from one of the glaciers in Cross Sound, we came across one of the leading men. He was dressed in citizens clothes and had a good canoe and three strong men. We took him on board and he showed us some good testimonials which had been given to him without solicitation. The next day he came and brought another

leader with him and his son. This gave me an opportunity to speak to them, for Shukoff my interpreter was with me. They all knew what was going on in Sitka. After talking to them for some time they replied that they had been told that there was a God- that they all believed, but they knew little about him. They would be very glad to have some one come and teach them what is right and what God wants them to do. I asked if they would like to have their children go to school. They replied "Very much but we are afraid that they can't learn well like the children in Sitka, for they are close to white men and hear them, but we do not know one word". I assured them that the children would do well for they would have less to draw them away from school. They said that their people wanted to become civilized, but they knew that some of the other tribes did not care to become so, but they thought that their jealousy would be excited if they saw them doing well. They said they would help to build a school house. Now here that is ready for the gospel and the circumstances are favorable for they are a sensible people- but little Koochinoo far away from the whites and are therefore -they have a home delightful for its scenery and its are close to some of the grandest sights on the globe and they support themselves.

If we could only anticipate the miners by three years untold misery and vice would be prevented. The miners are coming and are beginning to prospect working in toward the sources of the Yucon. The buzzards and wolves which follow care but little for morals as is to be so sadly witnessed daily in Wrangle, for last week some Jews abetted the natives in their hellish ideas of witchcraft when they hanged one woman after horrid torture and all but finished another.

Collector Ball and his deputy arrived by this steamer. They are the only officers in Alaska. The manner in which the government has neglected this country for the past year is nothing short of criminal negligence.

During May and June I held myself in readiness to make a trip in Kodiak for it was reported that the revenue cutter Rush from San Francisco would call here on her way thither but she did not come. This steamer brings two reports- one that she will be here in 10 days on her way to the furseal islands and the other that she has been ordered to ply along this coast. If the former be correct I am in doubt whether it would be wise for me to go. The Greek Church still supports the priests among those people, and when the Treaty of Cession

was made all their church property was reserved. Russia did not withdraw her priests. The regular services are still kept up in Sitka. When in San Francisco Mr. Roberts introduced me to Mr. Klinkofstrom the former Russian Consul. He used to be a sea Captain on this coast. I asked him if it would not offend his people to see us entering that field. He exhorted me to go ahead for the priests were ignorant creoles and paid very little attention to the Spiritual welfare, but that they bled them like leeches. Those ^{priests} earn considerable money. A visit there now would give me an opportunity to gather all the facts on the ground and we might thus be prepared to enter ay once when Russia withdraws as the Consul assured me that she would do if the American churches would take it up the work. From all that I can learn I believe that the Russian church has done a good work among the ^{people} in former years. If the Rush goes I will be guided very much by the length of time it requires to make the trip.

Mrs. McFarland came up on the California and she returns. She feels very sad at the way ^{in which} she has been treated by the Board. She has been there a whole year and not a cent of salary. She has spent her own little sum and is in debt \$300 to Mr. Vanderbilt. Now in the name of common decency say no more about the "First missionary to Alaska and she a woman" till she is paid. She has not received any letter assigning any reason for delay. Such treatment deserves the severest censure. I would like to know if any of those five men at 23 Centre St. in the office ge-witheat-of the Home Board goes a year or six months or a quarter without his pay. Mrs. McFarland would be justified in leaving by this steamer.

Expect no curositities from this country as-the without paying for them because the natives can get good cash eash prices whenever he chooses to sell. Every steamer takes off a considerable quantity. I have purchased a good number and shall buy many more and shall try to learn the myths connected with them. I sent two logh letters through Dr. Dixon to Mr. Frank Jenkins a college classmate of mine frem upon the Christian Union. I've not heard from them. I did not write to Dr. Dixon by last mail nor shall I by this. I've received no communication since leaving N. Y. If the Board is in debt and has not strength to sustain its present burden what is the use of putting on more? I thank you for your kind offer to help me, I also thank you for those papers. Dr. Dickson made me every offer to stand by me amd if he lives

half way up to what he said I shall do well. Do all missionaries become growlers and fault finders? I don't care to drift into such a state, but if I am treated as Mrs. McFarland has been I shall set up such a howl that will ring across the continent.

It is useless to establish any more schools unless we are provided with the necessary apparatus. The very best furniture is the cheapest for this work. These people can appreciate what touches their senses. A school room neatly fitted up with desks, charts etc would always draw them. They are all fond of music and a plain cabinet organ would help us wonderfully. We are thankful for second hand and cast away school books, for they are better than nothing and as yet we have nothing, but it is poor economy to pay trained teachers and then hamper them with a poor outfit. I shall spend much of the next month in writing about what I saw on my trip.

If Mr. Monfort or his family are in Denver please remember me to them. The fishing season interrupts the work here considerably. I hope that Col. Ball will be favorable. I can't help but feel that he will for he has a family of eight children. He left them in Virginia.

Yours Sincerely,
John G. Brady.

Muskogee, Ind., Terr. July 10th, 1878.

Rev. Sheldon Jackson D. D.
Denver, Colorado.

Dear Sir:-

I have sent you a telegram this morning saying that we will go if all three can go- Please let us know the result as soon as possible- and make the stipulations with the Board very plain-So that there may be no delay. 1st Traveling Expenses- 2nd. \$12.00 a year for me & \$5.00 for Miss H. 3rd. Medicines etc, this will facilitate our departure- It took a great deal of deliberation and prayer to say that we could go- and do our best for the poor Zuni Punbh. Received a letter from Mrs. Palmer- wrote to her yesterday.

Hoping to hear from you soon, I am Sir.

Very Respectfully,
Mason F. Williams M. D.

(Telegram) Muskogee, Indian Terr. July 10, 78.
Rev. Sheldon Jackson:- We will go if all three can go.
Denver, Colorado. M. F. Williams M. D.

New Brunswick, New Jersey.,
July 11th, 1878.

Dear Dr. Jackson:-

I am in receipt of a letter from Harry in which he expresses an unwillingness to remain in Silverton.

He likes the place and the people, but because a Mr. Pichett of the Congregationests is on the ground he thinks it ill becomes him to start a new effort.

I have just written to him by today's mail saying, in view of the fact that the President had fixed on S. as a Point to be "located" that S. was in the centre of a district of amazing mineral wealth that it must increase in population and resources just as fast as that wealth is developed, that the place has a future and that tho an evil he must expect ere long several denominations on the ground- and that in view of his work and experience he should obey the orders of the Eccleastical Superiors and not act so much on his own judgement or responsibility as on that of theirs. If he has left S. I have advised him to return in the hope that tho at the first the encouragements will be small that time and real effort on his part will, with God's helping tell in the end.

Your advice as I learn from him is about in the same direction tho probably much more briefly expressed.

He is very young and inexperienced but underneath a quiet and modest appearance he has both grit and capacity which occasion and time will develop..

I expect to aid Harry but I infer the place is very expensive in the way of board. I trust you may be successful in securing a near approach to the sum named from the B. of D.

At present tho our business resulted favorably the past year my means are restricted and will be untill our debts are all paid.

To effect this more than a 12 month will be required. Mean while I will do all in my power.

Rejoicing in the great wish you have accomplished and praying for its further success, I am,

Yours sincerely,

Wm. R. Janeway

Del Norte, Colorado., July 11, '78.

Dear Brother Jackson:-

No Janeway here yet. I'd like mighty well to put Leadville into organization etc-but God willing, I dedicate Alamasa Church 21st of July- have to be there from the 15th to the 30th of July.

I also wan't you to assist me at Alamasa on July the 21st. Haven't heard from you yet! Please come, or send some other big gun. Gage is off camping- can't get at him. Am trying Crowl. I hope though he will send ^{me} some Brother in my need. Julia A. Palm sings.

Yours,

A. M. Darby.

Trinidad, Colorado., July 13th, '78.

My Dear Dr. Jackson:-

Your favor of yesterday came to hand today, and one came yesterday from D. W., saying that they were going to start as soon as they got their appointments. He also asked for a list of things there which we send and suppose it is for him you wan't it and so do not send you any, will send you a copy if you wish. I wrote him urging a speedy departure and told him he ought to have the money for the ouse to take with him. He had better outfit here, I think and go by A. instead of San Francisco. I rather discouraged his taking a team, but he may be a better man that I to manage one. I think he can get Crane to keep them until he can arrange to keep them. If he gets there very soon he will be able to get ^{me} for horses and a cow. Crane promised the lumber I estimated as necessary for the house.

I am a little better that when you were here, but my strength is small and my wife is so poorly in health that we have to keep help awhile.

What we are to do if I continue to fail, and the Board refuse to return the money paid out o get here (nearly \$500.00) I do not know. I cannot help but feel that they treat their workers very hardly. We went out full and return empty, property, health, life itself almost gone. I do not feel that I have deserved this for though I did very little I did my best, and would gladly have laid my life down there.

You spoke of \$100.00 that you thought you could let me have. Can you let me have it until we hear from the Board? If they finally allow my expenses, I will return it, if not I

must sell my place at C. S. for what it will bring and pay you from that. If you can help me in this, it will aid us until my wife gets better, when she will have to take the care of me until relieved by the Master.

I send a memorandum thinking if you endorse it and recommend its payment it may be paid. Ought it to be presented to the Synod or Presbytery, when and where?

Very grateful for your very many kindnesses, and hoping that your good will and regards will not be wholly transferred to my successor, I remain,

Yours Truly,

Henry K. Palmer.

P. S.

The Congregation of H. C. Hazen, Malaga, N. Y., will I think give something toward the house.

#23-Centre St., N. Y. July 11th, '78.

Dear Brother Jackson:-

Yours of the 6th came to hand yesterday- I have read it carefully- noted your figures about Woman's Work. The women are now in session in Dr. Dicken's room- what will be the outcome I cannot predict- several things seem to me tolerably certain.

1. That Mrs. Graham will not give up Foreign Missions.

2. That if the Ladies organize a separate Board it will produce a fight.

3. Mrs. Graham has gone through this city and interested most of the ministers in her behalf, and they will not favor a new organization, nor will our Board because so many of its members are pastors in the city.

4. Something may come from this- for Paxton has enlisted with Mrs. Graham and thereby may lend himself to go for Woman's Work in some form which he has not done before. His style is a good deal like Allison's. I understand that he threatened to smash your head and mine, but then we are used to it. "The Lord reigns"- "We shall see what we shall see"

I am glad you are going to take Dr. Wilson in hand through Utah- Don't let him out till he has seen every point where we have an interest. Take him to Brigham City, Ogden and Malaga if possible- and so drive to the Southern end of our work.

Now I want to press on your attention two or three matters of first rate importance-

1. If Miss Frazer and Miss Fishback leave Utah this

summer, it is vital that their places should be well filled. Keep them if possible, but if not a move must be made at once for others.

b. If McMillan wants two teachers at Mt. Pleasant he can probably have them- But he must have the nominees before us- Tell Leonard the same- McMillan is likely this pressure of duties to neglect it- Please get all those matters into shape before you leave the Territory.

2. Find out fully while with Dr. Wilson what are the pressing demands for Chapels in Utah- Tabulate them and describe every case, and get Dr. Wilson's ideas and plan and see what he thinks about doing something, and let us know full particulars, your sister's suggestion's and your own about Sunday Schools- let them lie over. We appointed Miss Ross at the last meeting- If we can do no better I shall favor sending her to Santa Fe- But I rather expect Smith will leave in the fall- though I don't know any more about it than you do- Then we ought to have a new preacher, and a man and his wife for Teachers, can we get them? If not Miss Ross a self-reliant and experienced teacher is probably the best we can do-

2. As to Mr. Hall- No. I don't know any thing against him. I shall try to have him appointed the next meeting. I hope you may find something hopeful about Mr. Williams till we see what Dr. Wilson says. Perhaps the Lord may "open his heart" as well as "the eyes of his understanding"- Then we will see-

3. One thing more, we commission teachers for one year only, the same as we do missionaries: but we ought not to employ teachers who will not stay five years unless providentially hindered.

Now let me turn to New Mexico- I am fully of your opinion about the importance of pressing the work. But you know as well as I do what conservatism and Red-tape mean for Zuni- Dr. Lauderdale will probably leave Wingate before long for which I shall be very sorry-

3. Had a letter from Smith scolding that we had not guaranteed full salary for Shields.

4. Had a letter from Roberts- It seems he bought Merrill's team at Garland. Did you see Merrill? Did he come up to Denver? What is his next move? And did he drive through alone? What does he say about the trip across there?

All these things I want you to think of- and write about and help arrange etc. Don't lose your scalp up in Montana, and if you get up there make thorough work-

Yours Truly, H. Kendall.

#23 Centre St, N. Y. July 23rd, 1878.

Dear Jackson:-

Our meeting has just closed. I am in haste to get you a letter as soon as possible, that is, to-night.

What you will be interested to know is, We have commissioned Mr. Hall and wife for Ocate . Miss Pitts for Costilla and Miss Dunbar to assist Mrs. McFarland, provided Dr. Lindsay approves and we can get the money pledged for her support. This last pertaining to Miss Pitts as well as Miss Dunbar.

A Teacher-lady assistant- that went out with Early was appointed to assist him.

Mrs. Coyner, Miss Benney and Anderson were appointed at \$300 each as before- Dr. Williams and wife and Miss Hitchcock are appointed - provided we can get their support pledged!

You see how strong the conservatism is! Now what shall we do? Dr. Williams and party ought to know at once- How shall we get their support pledged? Your pledge for Miss Hitchcock is good enough for her, but what and where for Dr. Williams- I have no doubt I can get it- I have no doubt it would come along fast enough, but this conservatism and caution are like a body of death- Dr. Dickson says triumphantly! "I shall like to see where the money is coming from". I don't believe another teacher would be appointed if we waited for him to nominate and push them.

July 24th.

Well I didn't finish last evening. I am glad I didn't, for this morning Mrs. Graham came in and we have figured at the business and here is our programme--

1. Dr. Roberts at Elizabeth was in last week, and wanted a name for their Ladie's and I told him they could have one of the Salt Lake Teachers. Now I propose to write him at once- send him your letter about Dr. Williams and ask if they will take \$500 stock in the Dr. and his wife.

2. Now if you will transfer your promise to secure \$500 for Miss Hitchcock to Mrs. Williams- that is if you will say you will be responsible for the same amount \$500 for the Zuni mission we have it all right and we shall then be authorized to send them commissions at once- That would make \$1500 which would cover \$300 towards Traveling Expenses and incidentals- Now what do you say? If we get it in that shape there.

We came to your proposal to meet them at Laguna &c. If you can make that arrangement work it is a good one. How much money would you want? Mrs. Graham has in hand from Miss

Lauderdale about \$130- Dr. Palmer has from the church at Jerseyville \$44.50. How are you going to get the rest? I have no doubt Miss Lauderdale will do her best. Now make note of all this and let me know at once..N. B. I had a call the other day from Rev. H. W. Read (P.O.Address) Washington, D. C. who was the Baptist Pioneer Missionary in New Mexico. I had a very interesting time with him- His church at Albuquerque embraced converts all about that country- He says he has no doubt there are converts at Peralta on the Rio Grande South from there. He says one of his converts was a Chavez and had a married daughter at Peralta- strong in the faith.

The Annual Report of the Baptist Board says-" In Utah we are doing nothing, nothing in Arizona, nothing in New Mexico, where our Presbyterian bretheren gratefully acknowledge that they are building on our abandoned laborsxxx Father's and Bretheren shall these things be?

Now I hope you got my last letter, asking you to put matters in shape as to Teachers etc in Utah- If Mrs. Fraser and one or two others leave we must have surely some nominees to fill their places. Finally, how can you go to Montana and yet be ready for your week at Zuni ? For as I told you last year I want you to stay longer in M-see more and do more than ever before. The new miners discovered the new ranching interests the increasing population &c? &c.demand more of your time& attention very much more than you have given to it in M. But how about your interests in Zuni . If we get that matter through we must not let it linger till winter as we did last year- and get my brother, you must remember that Dr. Palmer started from Colorado Springs the 12th of September. I have already told you that Dr.Lauderdale expects to be recalled this fall, and it is very important if it can be so, that Dr. Williams should get in before the Dr. leaves, as he would leave many things to Dr. Williams, that case- so his sister says.

I send this letter to Mr. Niscehoping it will hit you at Salt Lake or soon overtake you where ever you are.

Write me as soon and as often as you can.

Yours Truly,

H. Kendall.

#23 Centre St, N. Y. July 26th 1878.

Dear Brother Jackson:-

We had agreed to recommend to the Board Rev. H. L.

Janeway \$400 for six months at Silverton, on condition that he unite with the Presbytery etc when we heard that Silverton is "gobbled up" by the Congregationalists and that Janeway had been sent to Leadville- Now we understand that Leadville is in the hands of the Congregationalists. If they have a man there it must be unwise to put a man there, if not you might as well go in there as Pickett into Leadville where we had a man all summer- You had better look the ground over and see what is best to do and communicate with Janeway and with us as soon as possible.

You will learn in a day or two what we did with More, George Darley, Smith and Otis.

Yours Truly,
H. Kendall.

New York, July 30th, 1878.

M. Fitch Williams M. D.

Dear Sir:-

Enclosed please find appointment as Teacher to the Zuni Indians in New Mexico-

Several things need to be added as explanatory:

1. We expect the Government through the Indian Department to grant you \$600 also: we have not guaranteed that additional amount though perhaps we ought to have done so. If at any time the Government stipend should fail I presume the Board would make up the balance.
2. This commission is only for one year, which is our usual habit with Home Missionaries, renewing them year after year if need be.
3. If employed by the Government as presupposed you will have a mixed commission- but so far as we are concerned the ultimate end of our endeavors is not the civilization or culture primarily, but the way of life and salvation. The former we seek for the sake of the latter. We want you to be Teacher, Preacher, Prophet and Priest to the people.
4. As to travelling expenses no grant was made. Our Board always likes to make a positive grant. Can you in consultation with Dr. Sheldon Jackson make a fair estimate of expenses to the field?
5. As to house, School-room and Chapel I suppose you talked with Dr. Jackson. He has plans which if carried out will be of great comfort to you- As to them all please correspond with him and with us- I hope his plans may be realized. But I am

afraid money enough has not been raised. Some things I have written above apply as well to Miss Hitchcock, to whom please communicate them and save me the trouble of writing another letter. The money for her support and yours will probably be furnished by certain Ladies' Missionary Societies through us- After awhile those Societies will wish to be put in direct correspondence with you and her.

We shall be glad to hear from you often during the period of preparation or during your journey to the field.

Yours Truly,

H. Kendall.

23 Centre St N. Y. July 30th, 1878.

Dear Brother Jackson:-

Your letter from Mt. Pleasant Utah of the 22nd, and telegram of last night both came this A.M. all right. Dr. Williams and Miss Hitchcock will have their papers started today. Haven't heard from Roberts yet- don't understand it- except that he was sick all last week- But Mrs. Graham has assumed Miss Hitchcock and since then \$700 for Dr. Williams and your promised \$500 can be for Mrs. Williams, I suppose and really be for the expenses to the field.

We have a first rate impression of Rev F. W. Iddings- I think he is out a few years, out of the seminary and if so his family is small. But you can write and find out.

Rev. B. W. Wright, there is no such name on our minutes. We don't know him. As to Teachers for Utah. Are they all at sea at this late day? There is a widow (Mrs. Sharon) at Marion Centre of whom Overstreet of Iarnedsays such good things that Mrs. Graham has written her for Santa Fe. She has one son nine years old. There is a Miss Pitts of Knoxville, Iowa, where Roberts wants for Costilla. Dr. Lindley has been written to about Miss Dunbar at Fort Wayne. If he does not think her needed there she would do first rate in Utah.

I too have written Gillespie to hold on.

I await your next with much interest- Has McMillan become himself again in spirit and health? The whole question of pushing teachers and school is to be affected by Dr. Wilson's report about Chapels etc.

Merrill I think the man is a little "out of his head". Didn't the climate unsettle him a little? He is really to go to Japan- if not he will go to Germany and stay three years. Was there ever more arrant nonsense? I suppose Roberts will

make arrangements to take Mr. and Mrs. Hall for Ocate, and Miss Ross for San Luis, and Mrs. Sharon for Santa Fe. should she go there down from Alimosa with his own team. If there should be any occasion you could write Mr. Robert Hall., Nevada, Ohio. I suppose you had better open correspondence with Dr. Williams about means and measures- perhaps you had better write Dr. Thomas too and Menaul- Would Dr. Thomas go out and see the Zuni's again? Kind regards to Mrs. Jackson and the girls.

Yours Truly,

H. Kendall.

P. S. I ought to say that Mrs. Sharon is thought of for Santa-Fe, not because we have changed our mind about the importance of having a man and his wife there, but because we do not find that man. But if Mrs. Sharon goes what should be done with Smith if he stays? Mrs. Sharon and Mrs. Griffeth perhaps could live in the same house- But no one can adequately manage that school with Smith in the building- not because Smith is a bad man, but he is an old occupant and thinks he has a right in the building and perhaps he has and because there is no room for all. That school problem is as difficult of solution as ever, and whether Smith intends to stay or not. I do not know. N. B. Why did you make application for Dr. Williams for \$1200-^{\$700} \$500 from us and \$600 from the Government sufficient for Zuni? Smith scolds because we did not guarantee Shields \$1000- including Dr. Thomas' offer from the Government. I think we should have done it, and I think we ought to do it in Dr. Williams case, but we haven't in either. ~~mans-family-to-take the-whole~~ nor, have we made any appropriations for travelling expenses. Dr. Roberts declines, but Mrs. Graham takes Miss Hitchcock and assumes \$700 on the Williams and with your pledge of \$500 makes us \$1700 in all. So we will try to move forward.

Profressor ~~Boyd~~ of Monroe Female Seminary (Michigan) has leased it, and inquires today about New Mexico- that is Santa- Fe. He is an experienced teacher- his wife an accomplished teacher and his two daughters (21&23 years old) very fine and highly accomplished girls. Can we say anything to induce such a mans family to take the whole concern at Santa- Fe?

We must know first about what Dr. Wilson will recommend about Chapels and about the Rail Road to Santa- Fe.

But would'nt it be splendid. They could manage the whole concern.

Yours,

Kendall.

Sitka, Alaska., July 10th, 1878.

Dear Brother Jackson:-

You will see by this that I am at Sitka. The Steamer will go back this afternoon. But as they only stop a short time at Wrangel on the way down I thought I must write an addition to your letter here. I find Miss Kellogg very happy, and apparently much interested in her work. Mr. Brady returned since my arrival from a visit to the Hunza Indians. Says there is a splendid opening there for a missionary. But of course there will be none to send, and now that Mr. Gallagar has turned aside to Uta Klawack (the new fishery) between here and Wrangel must be let go. it is an important place, so many white families there to that I feel certain if we do not send a missionary there, some other church will. But what is troubling me most now is, Miss Kellogg received a letter from that young Mr. Boyd in Oregon. He said at the late meeting of their presbytery they decided that when Mr. Young should arrive in Portland, that it should be left optional with him, whether he would come to Alaska or go to Lapwai in Idaho. If they send him to Idaho I will look upon it as a perfect outrage, and will feel that we might as well give up Alaska, and let some church take it that will do something. If Mr. Young goes there in the place of coming here, I think I may as well give up, and unless I feel different from what I do now I will go down on the next Steamer. In reference to the Home, I have not time to touch upon it now, but will send another letter first opportunity. I also want to write you of some terrible things that have taken place in Wrangel in the last three weeks but cannot now.

In haste,

A. R. McFarland.

(continued) July 11th, 1878.

If you wish to write to any one here, write to Mr. George Hamilton or James Healy.

Well Dr. We have now been laying at Klawack all day, I thought I must write a little about this place. The white people have said to me, cannot there be something done about a school here? They say the indians have said to us "why can't we have a school as well as the indian's at Sitka or Fort Wrangel". One gentleman told me "we believe there could be a school of one hundred indians here right away, as well as a number of white children". Then there ought to be preaching

here on the Sabbath. Now, this is a dirty, muddy, ^{disagreeable} looking place. Much more so than Wrangel, and nothing but the love of the work and the sweet thought that they were doing good would induce missionaries to live in such a place. Yet I feel so anxious that some person should be sent. The New Department Collector for our place is aboard the ship, and yesterday when we came in from the town (although he is not a religious man) he said to me, "I think you would truly exclaim, Truly the harvest is great-but the laborers are few". Then confidentially I should feel so glad if there was another minister that could be sent to Sitka. Miss Kellogg and Mr. Brady get along miserably- there is not any sympathy between them in their work. They never consult together about anything. They are not calculated to get along together, nor I don't believe any unmarried man would get along very well. You know Miss Kellogg is a niece of Dr. Lindseys. Of course they all side with her about every thing. But she and Mr. Brady seem like strange missionaries, and in my opinion it is a dreadful thing to have such ones at such a place. Miss Kellogg goes to parties and dances, Mr. Kellogg drinks wine-I could tell you much more, but this is sufficient to show you the state of things.

Now Dr. I feel I must tell you something more, perhaps you will not care for it- but it has hurt me. For some reason unaccountable to me they both seem very much prejudiced against you. I would be glad if you would not send them your paper, and I should write Mr. Brady very short letters. Now of course all this on these two last pages are strictly confidential.

(3 o'clock) Two of the white men of this town have just been aboard the ship, to talk with me about a school. They are exceedingly anxious. They say there is a saw-mill here, and lumber is cheap, and they will do all they can to help. If a minister and his wife could be sent and let her remain at Wrangel until he would come up and get things started. I am afraid you will think this a funny letter, but I have had to write just when and as I could.

A. R. McFarland.

P. S. Dear Dr. I hope you will not think anything I have written is in a spirit of fault finding. No- I have been too much grieved to find fault at such a state of things. I doubt if any one can read this the ship is rolling fearfully.

Taos, New Mexico.
July, 13th 1878.

Rev. Sheldon Jackson, D. D.

Dear Brother:-

We reached home the following Monday after leaving your place, all safe. Found people and family in good health and condition.

Met Mr. Merrill at Garlan on his way home, he was well and still improving.

Brother Annix left our house this morning on a tour of several days up and down the country. He will visit San Luis, Conejos, Ojo Caliente, Abiqui, ^{Tierra Amarilla} and perhaps further west and north. Brother Romero went with him, also Rafael C. Gallegos to Conejos. I hope he may return much enthused with the necessity of putting schools at many different points. I want you to keep reminding the Board of the appointment of Miss Pitts. Mr. Hall and I have recommended my brother, (John A. Roberts) who has been superintending the public schools of Knoxville, Marion and Iowa for several years, until the last year when he took charge of the schools of another town not far distant, and at present he is out of employment, but wants a position at Sinicero, and I think he will be quite an acquisition to our teaching force in N. M. when he has the language sufficiently he will be glad to undertake preaching same. He has a wife and family. If you see fit you may speak of him to the Board. I desire to bring all these fine men out at once and so save much expense. Will be almost a little colony.

Please find enclosed \$10.00 Dear Brother, I am very sorry I have not been able to send this to you sooner, but so are the facts in the case. Many thanks. I hope I shall be able and so placed as to return the favor. All well.

My regards to you and your family.

Yours Truly,

James M. Roberts.

Del Norte, July 13th, 1878.

My Dear Brother:-

Janeway here. Outfitted him with horse-saddle- bridle La riata- saddle-bags- rubber coat and leggings- overalls-match-box- soap and towel- spurs etc. He leaves Monday for Leadville, and I for Alamosa. You will see from my last, my inability to go to Leadville in August etc. Sorry you can't be at dedication. I am glad the Lord is rich- and never forsok me yet.

Yours fraternally, Alm. M. Darby.

Denver, Colorado., July 15th, 1878.

Rev. Sheldon Jackson, D. D.

Dear Brother:-

We arrived in this city Saturday evening. We were unavoidably detained or we should have been here two days earlier. I was very sorry not to see you. I desired so much to see you and learn more perfectly of missionary work in this state. I am much pleased with this beautiful city. May its people reverence and obey God.

I had the pleasure of hearing Dr. Shaff (I spell his name by the sound) speak of the great work of Bible Revision. We expect to leave here tomorrow morning, the Lord willing for Trinidad. I hope it may be the Lord's pleasure to have me labor there in the Gospel of his dear son. I do not so much desire a large church as a good field. And I hope the Lord will give me grace to endure hardships as a good soldier of Jesus Christ.

May he greatly help you in your work for him.

Fraternally and Kindly Yours,

R. Dodd.

Fairplay, July 15th, 1878.

Rev. Dr. S. Jackson:-

Dear Brother:-

I received a note one week ago, from Rev. J. E. Bliss, stating that the H. M. Board at New York wanted more light on Fairplay and Alma, before they could act on the applications for aid. Now I supposed that this light would have been sent on to the Board at N. Y. by the Committee of Pres. or by you, with the application for aid. I was not aware that it was my duty to make a report of the State of the charge here to the Board at N. Y. I did report to you and to the committee at Denver, in part, the condition of things here, when I sent you the application. And I supposed that was sufficient.

But I have now written to the Board at N. Y. giving them a statement of the condition of the field here. I gave them a plain statement of the facts in the case, as they have come under my notice since I came here. Of course the account was not a very flattering one, but I tried to make it truthful. And what the Board will do I cannot tell. But I now ask of you and of the Committee at Denver, to be relieved from the charge here. I cannot agree to hold on to a field like this, under such delays and uncertainties. I am running bills every week that I am unable to pay, and my creditors are getting impatient.

And this begins now to press upon my mind with too much secular care. I cannot labor well while running deeper in debt every day. The Spiritual care of this charge and the labor involved is as much as I am able to bear.

If the Board at New York responds favorably- by giving the amount of aid asked for for six months- I will remain in the field until the 1st. of November, that is provided the first quarter now nearly due me, is paid immediately. If the Board at New York declines to give aid or gives any less sum than that asked for, why then I wish to be relieved in on three weeks from this date, the first Monday in August. And of course I shall expect full payment to be made me then for the labor done.

If however, you can assure me of timely temporal support for six months from the time I came here, why then I shall stay and labor on here, cheerfully and hopefully, as I can, until the first week of November, otherwise I must insist on being relieved in three weeks from this date.

They will not be able to raise on Subscription here and at Alma, more than 70 or at most \$75.00 for six months- So you will see that all that has been applied for to the Board is necessary to meet my actual expenses.

Please answer this immediately.

Your Brother in Christ,
C. Moore.

Laramie, July 15th, 1878.

Dear Brother:-

I returned to L. by the way of Missouri river, and reached home on Friday the 12th instant. I was sorry not to return by way of Helena, as I had promised in case of my return the same way I ment to spend a communion season with Brother Hewett and also I had promised to send an appointment a head of me to two different towns (morman) to preach.

Little as I like the mormans I would be willing to preach in their villages and I was promised a large house.

As to Benton, there is an open door, but it is wholly useless for any one to go there without a good support from the Board, and a person with a small family would be better adapted to the field and more preferred than a single man, as there is no boarding place at all.

I was entertained by the Presbyterians. They have as fine society there as you will find in any of our rocky mountain country, and they are willing to settle down upon me or any one our church would send. There will be a request for my services, signed by the protestant citizens and sent up to the Presbytery of Montana that they may use such means as will secure them.

The morals of the place have very much improved since Mr. Cowhick was there. Those living with squaws have sent off their wild affinities and now live a regular life. This you will not put in the Rocky Mountain Presbyterian of course as it is "internos".

I was sorry Cowhick did not even so much as let me know-- as he positively promised to do--something as to the real position of things when at the assembly, relative to that field. We ought to regard it with some of the feeling of a foster father, as it rarely happens that the Lord so helps a small wayside effort as his was there blessed. Had he wrote me a discouraging note it would have been good news to the flesh; for I should then have gone East instead of on this trip I took, and should probably now have been on the other side of the great flood. I had probably the only opportunity I shall ever have to realize the dream of my life. This late journey will interfere with it.

Please try and stop when you return as there are matters here which need your official supervision.

Please excuse this scribbling as our house was crowded to suffocation last evening and I labored hard all day yesterday. I have had good congregations this whole year.

Your Brother in Christ,
W. E. Hamilton.

Muskogee, Ind., Terr. July 16th 1878.

Rev. Sheldon Jackson D. D.
Denver, Colorado.,

Dear Brother:-

Yours of the 11th, received yesterday and one from Dr. Palmer today. It is in reference to his letter that I write you a few lines. He says "Do not make a move unless you are assured beyond a doubt that the money can be obtained for the building of the house" I would like to know if the money is at hand- and what arrangements have been made. I would not like to be left as Dr. Palmer was, and should use

all the precautions possible. Can the 1st, Quarters Salary be had in advance to buy supplies? Do not think I am finding fault- but only trying to avoid the trials and sufferings to which Dr. Palmer and his family were subjected.

If you write to New York please urge the Board to attend to the matter at once- because I have to give an answer about our schools during the 1st, week in August or else be left without employment for the coming year.

Dr. Palmer describes the hardships very graphically- but I had rather hear the worst than take a romantic view of it and then find out the reality.

Sincerely yours,

Mason F. Williams M. D.

P. S. Mrs.W. is better- ditto Miss H. both send regards.

"The Manse" Anderson Bay,
New Zealand, July, 16, 78.

My dear Dr. Jackson:-

I send along with this First part of Article on Church in Victoria. I hope it will be of some interest to your readers. The Second part I hope to be able to dispatch by the following mail. I selected some photographs of our Lake Gorge Scenery for you the other day- also one of

. I hope you will like them, they also go by this mail. When I can get some good views of the Mountain Scenery in Canterbury Province I will send you them. When I was travelling over that part of the country, an American who had been over the Rocky Mountains, told me that nothing could equal the wildness and grandure of our Southern-Alps- Scenery. I suppose you have no photographs of places visited on your Alaska journey.

The Lord give you abundant success in all your work!

Yours very sincerely,

C. Stewart Ross.

P. S. If you do put in this Article please send me two or three copies extra of paper to send to Melburn.

C. S. R.

Leadville, Colorado., July 16th, 1878.

Dear Brother Jackson:-

Your kind letter was received last evening. A few days before, I received papers etc, from you, many thanks. I should

like very much to see you soon. I will leave Leadville for Conference on the 22nd, of July. Will go to Fairplay and pack up, and start for Denver on the 29th or 30th, and will be in Denver over Sabbath- If you can so arrange it, as to meet me or be in Denver at that time I should like it. I am willing to go to Alaska if the Church thinks I am the man. There is but one thing that I fear, and that is my health. As I told you I broke down in College, and I should feel mortified if I enter the Presbyterians ranks and fail in health again.

But if I am called of God, and the Church, to go and do work for him, surely He will give health and strength, for the duty. Your plan of schooling suits me. But we can talk over the matter when I come down. I will do all I can for Brother Janeway, if he arrives before I leave.

Yours in Christ,
C. S. Uzzell.

Poncha Springs, July 17th, 1878.

Dear Doctor:-

Yours of July 12th is at hand. I have come thus far on my journey all right. I bought a very good mare in Del Norte and rode 35 miles on Monday and 43 yesterday. I like this part of my field very much and hope I can do a good work here and at Leadville. By God's help I mean to. I reached Del Norte on Thursday night and stayed with Mr. Darley over Sabbath. I preached for him twice. My stay with him was almost equal to a course on missionary work. I learned a great deal in 3 days. I start up the valley for Leadville this morning, but will stop by the way to see Mr. Spaulding and others and arrange probably for a service on the 29th. I hope to see you in Leadville on August 1st. as Mr. Darley is so occupied with his Alamosa dedication that he has been unable to come up with me. Mrs. Wilson who keeps the hotel here seems to be very pleasant.

I was glad to learn that they have a Sabbath school in operation.

Harry L. Janeway.

Wilkesville, Ohio., July 17th, 1878.

Rev. Sheldon Jackson.,

Dear Sir:-

Perhaps you will remember that we wrote you last year as to where our society should send half of the years fees and as we were so well pleased with the advice you gave us, we

apply to you again. We will have \$16.00 at least (perhaps we can raise more) and would like to send it wherever so small an amount will do the most good. The society prefers sending to the Western states or territories. If you can give us this information soon you will oblige us very much.

Yours truly,
Attie Miller.

Wilkesville
Vinton Co.,
Ohio.

-----Utah-----
Springville, Utah Col., July 17th, 1878.

Mrs. Jane L. Finney,

Dear Christian Friend:-

Your very kind note of the 6th inst. came to hand yesterday A.M.

Please accept grateful acknowledgments of your kind offer, which did my circumstances at present necessitate it, would ^{be} gladly accepted. But I will say that all our immediate and real wants in the line of raiment and household comforts, have recently been supplied by the noble Christian generocity of the ladie's of the Rahway (N. J.) First Church.

But, Mrs Finney, since you have so kindly introduced the New Plymouth W. M. Society to me, and have had your interest Providentially awakened in my behalf and in the behalf of the work in this field, you must allow me the liberty of stating that I am in very great and immediate need of aid in connection with the schools I have under my charge. They are two in number, and are sustained at great expense to myself- (Neither the Bd. of Church Erection nor the H. M. being in a condition to relieve me of the burden). My only resource is my salary, and that is no greater than my family intertest require. If desirable, and you thought your Society could aid me with funds, even though to a small amount, I could give you a statement of our work and its wants.

Please let me hear from you

With Kindest regards and Christian love,
I remain,

Very Truly,
George W. Leonard.

Ouray, Colorado., July 18th, 78.

Rev. Sheldon Jackson D. D.

Dear Brother:-

Enclosed I send a slip cut from the Ouray Times, June 6th. Please give it place in your next issue, and I may state that as a Sample of Ouray Enterprise it may answer well. Regular preaching began early in April and by July the organ purchased and paid for.

I have to add the Board at N. Y. had declined needed aid and commission has been returned asking a reconsideration. The Board only allowed the half of what we need.

The Trustees here decided to close the Church as they were in despair. I have not allowed any change in the service and intend to "hold the Fort" so long as I can, for the reason that Ouray is the key to this whole country and hence to abandon Ouray, is to give up all Southwest.

To the Congregationalists who have already secured Silverton and would soon add Ouray, if they could - in hopes that the Board will aid us instead to keep on at least a short time.

I learned the other evening the Church at Lake City is closed for lack of funds.

I have service at Dallas 15 miles from here once a month. First service of any kind in that country. People come gladly to hear the word, and leave much affected. Preach at Dallas in the morning and reach Ouray in time for evening service. Other stations are

Preach in Ouray every Sunday to large houses.

Yours in Christ,

George N. Smith.

Santa Fe., N. M. July 19th, 1878.

Dear Brother Jackson:-

I have written to Brother Roberts advising that the Presbytery meet on the 18th, of October, unless there are good and sufficient reasons for choosing some other date, and I have invited the bretheren to appoint Santa Fe the place of meeting.

I hope we shall have the pleasure of your presence and the profit of your counsels.

With kindest regards of us all for yourself and Mrs. Jackson .,

Yours fraternally,

George G. Smith.

Leadville, Colorado., July 19th, 1878.

Dear Doctor:-

I reached here in safety last night, and attended Mr. Uzzell's prayer-meeting. He received me very pleasantly, but as he goes away on Tuesday and it is probable that he will not return, he will not be able to give me much help.

A Baptist minister arrived in town just before I did, but there is some doubt about his having a commission for this field, so I think he will not stay. I had quite a talk with Mr. Adams this morning. He professes not to understand my being sent in here after what you said when you left this place. He evidently thinks that I should take the Poucha Springs field and leave this to him to form a union church. The idea of the Congregationalists appears to be to get as much support from the field here and dispense with home aid as much as possible.

I have been around with the petition that you sent me this morning and have obtained four signatures. I tried to get Mr. Prudden's but he refused to sign as yet, saying that he felt at home with the Methodists, and did not like to leave them. I don't know whether he will sign or not. His wife is not a member, so I did not ask for her signature. I doubt if I will be able to preach on Sunday, for want of a place in which to hold service. The Methodist church will be occupied in the morning by the Baptist minister, in the afternoon by the Episcopalians, and in the evening by the Methodists to hear Mr. Uzzell's farewell sermon. Mr. Uzzell says that we may have the Methodist church on the first sabbath in August for organization. This afternoon I will go on a general scout for Presbyterians.

Harry L. Janeway.

P. S. I left an appointment at Poncha Springs for July 28th, but will be back to Leadville to meet you on August 1st.

Lincoln, N. M. July 9th, 1878.

Rev. Sheldon Jackson D. D.,

Dear Sir:-

We have organized a Sabbath School here, and it is very encouraging, but have scarcely any books. Bibles are very scarce, and also music-books. Would you please send us one dozen of Moody and Sanky No. 1 (small size) without music and two books with the music, also one dozen of Testaments by

mail. We will pay for them as soon as we can. Do not wish our work kept back for the want of these books. Have four pupils studying the Shorter Catechism. In three weeks will close our first quarter of school, and the progress our pupils have made is very encouraging.

Mr. Ealy is very busy, has very little time for writing.

Very Respectfully,

Mrs. T. F. Ealy.

Fort Stanton, New Mexico., July 21st, 1878.

Dear Jackson:-

I am in Stanton awaiting an opportunity to get north- what shall I do? The plaza will be broken up at Lincoln. McSween was killed yesterday (19th) in his own yard, and we cannot remain there under any considerations. He would have supported the Gospel to the amount of \$100.00 per year.

His property was burned over his head and when he came out, was shot five times.

Answer me here immediately, and also Vegas for I may start before your letter reaches me. I would preach in Colorado or Kansas.

T. F. Ealy.

Trinidad, Colorado., July 23rd, 1878.

Rev. S. Jackson D. D.

Dear Brother:-

We left Denver on Tuesday morning one week since. We spent two days at Colorado Springs and then reached this place on Tuesday night. The next morning gave us a partial view of this strange, odd looking town. And I must say that our impressions so far are not favorable to the idea of remaining here very long. There are a number of unfavorable things. First- many of the people would be out of my reach. I could not hope to do them any good. Besides some of the white people are from the south. My experience with southern people in Missouri has not led me to hope that I shall be able to reach them. Then the water here is so poor. I fear it will be detrimental to my wifes health. She has not been well and is not now. Still there is doubtless a good field of usefulness here. And the people are quite unanimous and urgent in their desire to have me stay here. And the cost of

living is very high here. I think it best that I should not decide about staying here until after I hear from you. And if you have any field any further north where I am as much needed I am not sure but it would be better for us to go there. I am willing to stay here, and try what can be done provided it seems clear that it is the will of the dear Lord that I should. And I trust that by His Holy Spirit he will incline me to decide according to his will. I am willing to stay here for his sake, but not for any other consideration. Pray that I may be able to see and choose his will.

I shall try to wait upon the Lord and be of good courage hoping that he will direct all my steps.

Please let me hear from you very soon.

Fraternally and Kindly Yours,

R. Dodd.

Trinidad, Colorado.

Tacs Tacs Co., New Mexico., July 23rd, 1878.

Rev. Sheldon Jackson D. D.

Dear Brother:-

Santa Fe Presbytery is called to meet at Santa Fe on the last Thursday of August the 29th, at 7 P. M. I will be very glad to meet you, there at that time, and have you unite with our Presbytery. We are all well. Please urge upon the Board the appointment of the several persons, I have recommended for teachers. Mr. Hall. Mr. Roberts for Sinacero, Miss Pitts, for Castilla, Miss Ross will go to San Louis.

I would be glad too, if somebody could prepare and send me a box of second class, or cast off clothing for distribution among the poor. I think we can get many more pupils if we can do something at clothing the very poor.

I expect to take with me to the Presbytery two more young men who very much wish to become evangelists. I think it well to put them on trial for at least two years, during which time we can have them meet with us in Presbytery and undergo something of an examination and lay before them a little course of study with the view of licensing them in two years, or whatever Presbytery may judge best.

I have two men whom I esteem highly and think truly converted men who may become very useful.

I hope you and yours are well.

Yours truly,

James M. Roberts.

Valmont, Col., July 24th, 1878.

Rev. Sheldon Jackson D. D.

Dear Sir:-

I have heard nothing from the Board save a P. C. Some time ago saying that the application would be considered June 18th. Erie is completely under in business the miners having recently stopped and the chief Presbyterian and almost only one, Mr. Hamilton was killed Saturday evening by lightning. Under these circumstances I am anxious to know where my support is to come from. The people here are paying promptly each month. My family are here, and we are keeping house. Have you any information from the Board? If they will do nothing for Valmont I do not see how I can stay here. Two joined the church at the last communion and others are expecting to at the next. It seems a pity to give up so encouraging a field. Please let me hear from you at once.

My regards to Mrs. J. and family.

Truly yours,

J. N. Otis.

Leadville, July 24th, 1878.

Dear Doctor:-

Since last writing you I have been all over the town seeking signatures to the application for church organization. Thus far I have obtained eleven; George M. Robinson, Sophia Groff, Mrs. A. R. Meyer, W. J. Finton, Mrs. Sarah Harrison, Mrs. Lou H. Updegraff, Henry E. Wood, J. E. Bunn, Mrs. Charles Mater, George Darling, and David Murray. Besides these I have discovered several Presbyterian families so that the prospect seems good for organization.

A number of persons have spoken to me of our building immediately. Mr. Uzzell said that the church that built soon would obtain the best hold on the people. The Baptists are to organize on August the 4th, but the Methodists have promised us their building for a part of that day. I hope you will be able to come up on the 1st as you promised. We will probable need singing books soon, so I wish you would be kind enough to order say 40 copies without and 6 with notes of the Gospel songs. Had I time I could probably find more Presbyterians but tomorrow afternoon I start for my Poncha Springs appointment tomorrow afternoon.

Adams is to organize on August the 4th, but with what material I do not know. Apparently he has not much hold on the

people. He will probably have a great deal to say to you about our coming in.

Of the list of members you sent me, Mr. Prudden is unwilling to leave the Methodists, Mr. Breck is undecided about remaining in town, and Mrs. Caley is not here. The other names I have secured. Hoping to see you here next Wednesday,

Yours,

Harry L. Janeway.

My regards to Mrs. Jackson and the girls.

 "The names in full."

- George M. Robinson. - - - - - 1st Presbyterian Ch. E. Springfield.
- Sophia Groff. - - - - - Lutheran.
- Mrs. A. R. Meyer. - - - - - Central Church, Denver.
- W. L. Finton. - - - - - Washburn Church, Arkansas.
- Mrs. Sarah Harrison. - - - - - Alma.
- Mrs. Lou H. Uplegroff. - - - - - Iowa.
- Henry E. Wood. - - - - - Joliet, Illinois.
- J. C. Bunn. - - - - - Cum. Pres. Church. Kansas.
- Mrs. Charles Mater. - - - - - Central Church. Denver.
- George Darling. - - - - - Scotch Pres. Church. Chicago.
- David Murray. - - - - - Pres. Church. Birmingham. M.

 Not a member but willing to join having been prevented at Alma by the bad weather.

 Rosita, Colorado ., July 25th, 1878.

My Dear Brother Jackson:-

Cannot you pledge yourself to help ⁱⁿ building a church here at Rosita as you did at Lougmont.

If you can we will have a church building here inside of the next six months. We don't want to build at a cost less than two thousand, and yet our utmost endeavor here will be one thousand. Three of our very best men have left us and gone- one to Central, and two to Leadville. If you can possibly help, come to our rescue.

We have been using a Hall quite as long as we desire. Some way it seems to be our good fortunes to use Hall. All right. Am willing to preach from a stump, so long as I can command an audience.

Let me hear if anything can be done.

Fraternally etc,

W. P. Teitsworth.

Rawlins, Wyoming., July 26th, 1878.

Rev. Sheldon Jackson,

Dear Brother:-

We have just received a letter from Rev. C. A. Holm dated 23inst. in which says, "I am compelled to state that I cannot accept your proposition to settle at Rawlins, I am as far west as I intend to go etc"- Now the question is- what is the next best you can do for us? Our people feel that if it can be so arranged we ought to get a married man even if we should have to wait a month or two longer and I think it would be better. In that case our people would all pull together, and do all they could for the cause, and a good man could come to stay, while if some would hold off it would make the burden heavy, and some would feel as if we should give a single man only a temporary support, until we could be better suited, which you will readily see is not at all desirable or practical. The feeling, I find is growing stronger and more decided that we must get a Presbyterian Minister, but think it be better to be suited even if it caused some delay, than to act in haste and "repent at leisure". That of course might not be the result but I would think it better to start with the full sympathy of all, than under any kind of a dividion. Please let us hear from you at your earliest convenience, with your opinion, advice and what you think you can do for us.

As to the question of support I am assured by those who have had experienced the work, that the sum mentioned when you were here can be easily paid. The subscription may run behind \$10.00 or even \$15.00 some months but the ladies' Sociables will make it up so as to be square at least every quarter. Mr. Green is now very anxious to stay, but it is opposition or envy on his part, because heretofore he has desired to get away. He has not, and cannot do any good here, and is not desireous that another should come, simply because the people want it. He is too much "pharisee". not as other men etc.

Hoping to hear from you soon, I am for our people and myself,

Very truly yours in the cause,

G. C. Smith.

Bingham City., July 20th, 1878.

Rev. Sheldon Jackson D. D.

Dear Brother:-

I regret this publication of what is all true enough but it makes a handle for these talkers, who like the scuttle fish hide their meanness by the black discharges.

It only makes the whole community more excited, and antagonistic. They have twice this week stoned my house, throwing rocks against the house and upon the roof. Now you see at once the annoyance to a nervous wife and three small children.

They have overturned the , the hay rack, broken down the fence and disturbed my cow- preventing any one from herding or driving to pasture. These are the recent annoyances all having occurred this week.

Upon the other hand our services are now crowded by young men who are throwing off the rule of the priest-hood, I preach two or three times a week and with much interest to myself and profound attention by them.

I send you these items hoping you will make no use of them that will come back here, as the only influence is to make them angry. Yet if they can secure interest in our work and above all I owe money for this expensive frontier work we will rejoice. We are borrowing money and making old clothes last until another box may come. We depend entirely and must depend for our clothing upon these donations.

The decline of Corinne has fallen very heavily upon us as we have received about one half of their part of Salary, \$250.00, yet our few friends have done nobly.

Hoping ^{\$500.00} you can assist us over this strait in some way,

We are,

Truly Yours,

S. S. Gillespie.

Santa Fe, New Mexico., July 27th 1878.

Dear Brother Jackson:-

I wrote to Brother Roberts about the meeting of the Presbytery, but the letter must have met on the way one from him which calls the meeting Thursday August 29th. It is to be held in our church in Santa Fe. I am sorry if this shall disappoint you. Can you not arrange to be here on August 29th?

As to my going to Albuquerque, it is very doubtful whether, if I stay in New Mexico, I shall quit my present field.

I never had so good an average of attendance, morning and night, for three months together before, as for the quarter now closing.

Very truly and fraternally yours,
George G. Smith.

Malad City, Idaho Terr., July 27, '78.

Dr. Jackson,
Dear Brother:-

Will you do me the favor to ask half fare for myself over the U. P. R. R. from Ogden to Omaha, and return half fare for myself and wife from Omaha to Ogden- good during September and October?

We have a short vacation in September to make room for Court and I hope to complete my matrimonial plans at that time. Every thing goes quietly along here. Crops are fine, but the frieghting business is done.

It will require fine work for us to hold the County Seat here unless the county is divided and we may loose it even then. But there is no doubt of this being a field which it will pay to cultivate. Judge Prickett has just returned from Salmon City in Lemhi County and reports that as a very thriving place.

Major Danelson, the Indian Agent was down this week. Had a talk with him and he says he will write to you, hopes to secure F. Hall for us as a Mission field through the Indian Department at Washington.

I believe that I told you ^{that} we did not go to F. Hall this summer on account of the hostile spirit of the Indians.

With kindest regards,
Your Brother in Christ,
E. P. Walsh.

P. S. It seems that the Mormans are taking an interest in Brother Gillespie's proceedings. They are using the Bingham City police to prevent attendance at his S. S. and etc.

Bingham City, Utah., July 27th, '78.

Rev. Sheldon Jackson D. D.
Dear Brother:-

You were reported in Salt Lake last Sabbath and I have been looking for you all week, and now conclude I must have been a mistake. It was with great expectations of re-

lief that we heard you were in the vicinity. Our expenses here are very grievous. Corinne proving bankrupt, paying only 30 % on the dollar and Bingham being corrupt, it leaves us with empty larder and hungry children.

Our Quarterly payment is due the 1st, August, so that if we can hold out until it comes we will then be comfortable. Our position here at Bingham City is a most exposed one. The civil law all in the hands of the most lawless i.e. the local authority.

On Tuesday evening last a stone was thrown through the window at me while reading at prayers, and came near hitting one of my children

Three times has my house been stoned lately, on Wednesday the 24th Mormon Celebration.

All kinds of insults were uttered against me with threats of destruction of my house and running me out of town. In the evening a drunken crowd led by a very bad man to whom many crimes are charged, surrounded the house, coming inside the lot- Kicking against the door which was strongly barred and bolted. They did not get in and after uttering many threats, retired. A stone was thrown into the house through the door, at one of our last evening meetings. As it stood partly open by some person on the opposite side of the street. The use of these stones by these Mormons is much like what Our Saviour and the apostle Paul were threatened with and the latter experienced.

A poor shoe-maker who has had all his property in the Enoch order, came to hear me preach last Sabbath. They immediately discharged him from the shop, took all his tools and cut him off from the church. Young men and boy's have been reported driven^{away} from the house and even taken out by the special police. This police pretends to keep order and protect me from violence, but their real duty is to keep all the mormans away and report the attendance of apostles.

The shoe-maker who was cut off, had some cooperative Money, the scrip with which they pay off their hands, which is good only to the good mormans. All his money became at once worthless, nor can he buy anything in town from people or tradesmen. He has tried to buy meat and flour and that with cash and they refused. There are a number of families thus proscribed, while a much larger number have voluntarily gone to Corinne or Odgen for their supplies, perhaps one half the families, since they charge such exorbitant prices here.

We are receiving considerable sympathy from our fellow proscribed persons, they are very kind to bring ^{to} us first what they have to sell and are trusting us until we can get some money. And we have formed a little community- the poor shoemaker has been loaned \$20.00 to buy tools and is now set up, and has all the work he can do. The widows too- the abandoned wives all seem kindly disposed. We are surrounded with them, two men being the farthers of eleven families of children on this block.

Our house is most centrally located and opens on the street so that I can preach to a good congregation as they sit in their own houses.

If you can send me a little money it will be very acceptable.

Yours very truly,

S. S. Gillespie.

Santa Fe, New Mexico., July 29th, 78.

Dr. S. Jackson,

Dear Friend:-

I have just received your letter and wish it possible to have another in a few days. You will know ere this reaches you, that the Congregational Church are about to establish a school here, but at present will not admit Mexican pupils free, for want of funds in starting, I suppose, and I believe a flourishing school may be contended for Mexico if it is supported by the Board but they (Mexicans) are too poor, generally, to pay more than a mere pittance. Then there are several who wish to come and live with me, four of them are 18 years or past, three are too poor to help themselves. Two wish to study for the ministry. One is a bigoted Catholic, the other indifferent but willing to read the Bible. I have taken the little ~~excitation~~ the lady's plan to support, and have written about my property and think now I will be able to raise some money on it if my plans meet the approval of my friends, but they have opposed me constantly in regard to selling because it is increasing in value so much they write me. I feel like I can do a good deal in the way of more directly influencing, if some of the students are in my family, and if I can possible get Miss Spence. I am sure we can accomplish the house and school work, and if I can get the young lady here, I think the foundation of a good work may be laid here this fall. I really need some to depend on in household matters, more than a regular teacher, and one

who will be faithful, when clouds lower. And I know how Miss Spence can be trusted, in trying times- such as must come.

I do not think I could do the work of house and keep school, as I have in the past six months, and keep on through the year, but if I cannot get help, which must I undertake? The Mexicans are asking for both. I so much wish some one who knows me, and whom I know, as I know difficulty often arises from lack of acquaintance. I have just been to T on horseback. My faithful friend, Pedro Romero, was my escort. I think the entire family would have gone had I required it. The first night we stopped at Romero's father's. The second were storm staid between the two canons near the Rio Grande, but I found new pupils among the Mexicans, where we stopped. Last week I was discouraged, so yesterday I had a day of special prayer, and this morning the answer came, so I'm still saying "Praise God from whom all blessings flow". Just remember when you pray, that I only wish to be able to bear all sorts of hardships in the right spirit- I feel that I must pay all my debts, in order to a better work. My great care is not to go in debt here, if I can possibly avoid it for my own liberty and the work's sake. Now I am today free from all liabilities in Santa Fe.

I went wearily to Mr. Roberts and came back rejoicing- I was glad to go 75 miles for such rest- the communion of such saints.

The little boy I have is scared lest I make a Protestant of him, but the father is going to take him to our church next Sunday. Says if he will not stay, will make a writing for me to keep him three or five years.

Mrs. Graham wrote me that the ladies voted me \$300.00 I have received \$150.00 but you know I could not live on \$300. My sister has helped me out at two different times.

I think I can board Mexican boy's for \$12.00 or \$13.00 per month.

What amount do you think ought to be asked for the boarding and education of the little Mexican? If any of the ladies wish to send me anything for him to wear I will not send it back. His earthly possessions are a pair of pants and a shirt, and perhaps some "animated life" among his "raven locks".

You observe I do not waste writing paper on you- or fine penmanship either.

M. E. Griffith

P. S. Any packages sent by mail are very much cheaper, than by Express. I believe I paid a subscription to your paper for my mother (Mrs. Jane A. Crawford) Logansport, Indiana, but she does not seem to receive them. Did Mrs. Schofield send her address? I wish to make Mrs. Thompson and Mrs. Dr. Andrews of this place subscribers to your paper. Mrs. Thompson has given me 50¢ which I enclose.

I did not notice until your last issue the change in the price. If you have a few spare copies I will try to get subscribers this month, while I am recruiting.

Is Miss Wheeler going home for vacation? I will probably be asked to teach in the new school. Would be glad of a word of advice. As my school cannot be a perfectly graded, and will be more difficult, nor do I wish to work against the other, would like to work with them if I could take pupils unable to pay.

Fort Wrangle, Alaska., July 1878.

Rev. Sheldon Jackson D. D.

Dear Brother:-

Although I sent you a long letter by last mail - yet I feel that your letter of June 8th, has not been answered.

Now first I will take up the matter about the "Home". Though I fear I cannot answer your questions very accurately. You are aware that building material such as lumber etc, has to be bought from below, this of course makes it expensive. I have consulted with Mr. Vanderbilt about this. He thinks from two thousand to twenty-five thousand dollars would be needed to build and furnish a "Home". But of course we wont have to be guided about the amount of money that could be raised - and could put up a part of the building to commence in- with the view of adding to it as the work would increase. I can form no idea how much it will cost per year to run the "Home", unless I know how many inmates we would probably have.

Now as to going to Sitka, to establish the "Home" I don't think it would be wise for many reasons. I was glad I received your letter before going up there. I found those buildings terribly dilapidated and out of repairs. The only one that I thought would be at all desirable for a "Home" I went to see. A gentleman told me it would cost one thousand dollars if not more- to put it in repair and make it safe. I inferred from this last remark that the building was not considered safe to be used for school or other missionary purposes. (I did not say to him what use I would make of it).

Then there is not the need of a "Home" in Sitka that there is at this place. Miss Kellogg said in talking of a "Home" that it would be a long time before the indians at Sitka would become civilized enough to be willing to go into a "Home" or anything else that would break up their old heathenish way of living. (I think with the present arrangement it will be a long time). Miss Kellogg did not know that the matter of my going there had been spoken of. But from some remarks that Dr. Brady made I inferred that you had written to him about it. I have talked to Mr. Vanderbilt and he is of the same opinion I am of the matter. That this being the most central point- easy of access from all other places- and by far the most important in business point of view, there being more indians collected here than any other place, and always more white men, and that as far as those buildings at Sitka are concerned- that there should be an outbreak among the indians- and soldiers be sent there, of course anybody would be turned out of the buildings at once. Another thing, I am confident the girls from here would not be willing to go to Sitka or any other place, and Mr. Brady told me he thought there would be no difficulty in getting girls to come from there here, in fact he rather thought they would like it. In consideration of all these things do you not think it would be best for the Home to be established at Fort Wrangel? Today Mr. Vanderbilt came up, and made me a very liberal offer. He said that now as it had grown so late that there would be no buildings put up this fall, that to aid me in making a beginning he would allow me to occupy that large Hospital building for one year free of rent. If I thought there would be money enough sent me from the east to furnish and run it as a Home, this is certainly a very liberal offer. He says they made \$70.00 per month last winter by renting out the rooms to miners, and I know of one party that has offered him \$50.00 per month for it for a restaurant. I talked with him about the expenses. I think this ought to decide the matter. He thinks it would cost \$600.00 to furnish the house. Then the wood would be probably the largest item of expenses. He think we would use 30 cords, and it would not be less than \$8.00 per cord. He says I ought to have the money now to hire indians to go out and cut it and bring it in. That there is no wood being brought in and that the probability is it will be \$8.00 or \$3.00 in the winter. There is one white

man here who has a large quantity corded up and has refused \$4.00 per cord for the lot. You understand the 30 cords would be for the "Home" not including the school and church. But Mr. Vanderbilt says if I had \$125.00 now I could buy all the wood we would use for the Home, school and church for the year, and it will cost us at least \$200.00 after awhile.

Mr. Vanderbilt thinks I can have all the furniture I will need, made here, except chairs. These I would have to send for. I hope you will write me on this subject immediately on the reception of this; and direct via Victoria, B. C.

As the miners commence coming down by the last of August, and we do not decide to take the building it will be wanted for other purposes. If I get anything encouraging by next mail I don't know but I will take the responsibility of going into the house, in order to secure it. Mr. Vanderbilt is of great help to me. He is much interested, and being a man of good judgment I feel that I can rely upon him. I know he is in full sympathy with me, in all I undertake. He knows so well the state of things here, and the uselessness of trying to do anything in church work, unless we can offer some protection to these poor degraded women and girls.

Mr. Vanderbilt is also very anxious that Mr. Young will be the right kind of a man. I really think Mr. Vanderbilt is not far from the kingdom. (Confidential) It will not surprise me if the work at Sitka is suspended this fall. Mr. Brady said nothing to me. But Mr. Vanderbilt told me that he said to him he thought he would go east this fall and enter the Lecture field, and Miss Kellogg told me when Mr. Brady talked of going to Saint Paul—that although she did not like Mr. Brady—yet he was better than nobody and that she would not stay there alone.

Mr. Brady told me that by next Steamer he expected a magic lantern and about \$100.00 worth of views, and that when they came he would come down and have a show for us.

I cannot tell you how much we all were disappointed about your not coming to Alaska. But the thing we all felt that this was not a good time of year for you to come, because so few of the Indians are here at this season. The early spring will be much better time to come for that reason. But late in the fall would be a good time to be here.

If you could get the means to commence the church building and come here in the fall and stay over one Steamer and commence the building I have no doubt you could collect

a good deal of money from the miners. But by the time the Holidays are over their money is mostly gone. Do you think it would be impossible for you to do this, this fall? You speak of the reproach you have met. Yes I have been pained to see some of the articles that have appeared in some of our religious papers. It does seem very strange that christian men will take such grounds. But I believe that God will over rule all for good. You know there is a "Woe pronounced against us when all men speak well of us".

I am glad you think my letter to the Ladie's at Pittsburg made a good impression. Has the proceedings of the Ladie's convention not been printed? I have seen nothing of it in any of the papers.

I received a letter from Mr. Eaton at Washington, expressing his regrets that I did not receive "Frangs Chromo's" that he sent me, but he said nothing about trying to secure another set.

I am much obliged to you for writing about my salary, it does seem very mysterious. Now the date of my commission will expire in 12 days, and I have not received one dollar of salary, nor not a word of explanation. What do you think it means? Now I want you to write for me to the Board (you can say I requested you to do so if you wish) about my commission- being renewed and that they do not give me any less salary than the last year. In consideration of the amount of labor I have done, I should have had \$800.00 this year instead of \$600.00. The Board was to pay me \$600.00 and Philip \$300.00. The Lord took Philip away and I have done all the work. Sabbath service- teaching and all, and yet I only get the \$600.00. Then my expenses here have been so great that I will not be able to save a dollar this year. \$500.00 to Miss Kellogg at Sitka is more than \$700.00 would be to me here. She has not had to pay any house rent and she only pays \$1.25 per cord for wood. Then Mr. Brady I presume the Board pays him \$1.000 per year and he has not done one half the work I have. These things seem very unjust. Persons coming now will not have the difficulties (at least not all) to contend with that I have had. So much has depended upon me, else I would have given up long ago. I have had two schools in operation since spring opened.

There is a lot of wild indians living up the beach that I have never been able to induce to come into schools. (I don't think I have written you about this) I felt distressed

about them, so I went up there, rented an old log house on the point and opened a school. I have from 45-60 in attendance. I teach them from the blackboard. If I could have some large wall cards they would be a great help to me. This school meets in the afternoon. After I had gone a few times they asked me if I would not come Sunday and have church for them. So I go Sabbath afternoons and have a little service with them. They seem much interested. I hope by and by to be able to get them to attend the other school and church.

You see how fully my time is taken up. I am very tired and have decided to have a little vacation soon, probably next month, as Miss Kellogg thinks of coming down next Steamer to spend a month here.

I do trust the Board will commission Miss Dunbar. From the spirit of her letters I think she will make a good helper, if she and Mr. Young come I will then feel that we are ready to do something.

Some of the Indians that have stood aloof waiting to see what we would do are now saying, "We know they would not send any person. We told you they would not build any church". I don't wonder our Indians have become discouraged and feel like giving up the whole matter.

Mr. Davidson is not at home. When he comes back, I will tell him about sending you Shaks's picture. (I would like one very much. No-you never sent me Philip's picture,- Mr. Davidson did not preserve the negative.

Have you been able to interest any in the support of Philip's wife? If I go into this building I would be glad if arrangements could be made to have her to come to me before the winter sets in. Were it not for the expense I would take a trip to Fort Simpson. Mr. Crosby has urged me to visit them, and I would like so much to find out their plans of carrying on their Home. The expenses, plan of admitting girls etc. But I have no hope of being able to do this. Of course your arrangement about the money matters is right, and perfectly satisfactory.

It seems strange to me after all your effort last winter, that more money has not been sent to you for buildings. But I suppose it is owing to the stringency in money matters in the east. Have you no encouragement that the government will do anything towards supporting the schools or putting up buildings?

Mr. Davis will leave here next Steamer. He goes to

California. I think he will be a real loss to us. Although he is living in a way that all good people must condemn. Yet he has had a great influence over the indians and has been a help in many ways.

Col. Critendon may be just as good, we cannot tell yet. But I have found out he cares nothing for religious matters. The people at Sitka are very fortunate in their new Deputy Collector being a Physician. We do need a Dr. here so much and when we get the Home started we will need one more than ever.

At Mrs. Grahams suggestion I wrote to Mrs. Green, three Steamers ago. I told her of the great needs of help here, and dwelt more particularly on the matter of the Home. But I have had no response from her.

Could you not secure me a lot of the little primary books (primers that are gotten up by the Tract Society) We need more books so much. I have bought a good many, but we need a great many more. Now I think I have written all the business matters. I want now to write you of some of the things that have been going on among the indians. (This I am going to embody in my report and it will likely be published in the "Record". So you can do as you please about publishing it.

The last three weeks has been a time of the greatest excitement among the indians that has existed since my coming to this place. Owing to some of the heathern indians living on their old superstitious customs, that of "Witchcraft" they arrested two women and two little boys, charged the women with being witches, said they had manufactured poison from portions of dead bodies taken from graves at night, and had administered this poison in the food of different persons, causing their death. The women they tied up, and kept them three days and nights without food or water. All this time subjecting them to the most cruel torture, such as dragging them by the hair of their heads over the beach, cutting and bruising their bodies in a fearful manner, throwing them into the bay and keeping them in the water until they were nearly drowned, taking them out at night, making them take off their clothes and lie down on the prickly ash, besides many terrible things they made them do.

One of the women had attended my school- she is I should think about 45 years of age, so when I heard of it I went up to see them. At first they refused to let me see the

women, I insisted telling the leading man that I wanted to talk with them and had not the least objections to him being present. He then got five of his men and went with me to the old house where they were confined. Some of my indians who had followed me up, begged me not to go in, but I had no fear of them disturbing me. We went in and then locked the door on the inside, and what a sight met my eyes. There sat the woman (referred to above as one of my pupils) on a pile of straw, (very little clothing on and so emaciated I would scarcely have recognized her) with her hands tied so tightly together with a rope, that her-fingers- they were so swollen her fingers stood straight out. I pled to save the lives of these women- that they would release them. They would not hear to it, I then begged that they would be allowed to have some food. But the leading man would only shake his head and laugh at me. During the night they actually hung the other woman. They tried to make it appear that she hung herself. This no person believes. Indeed it would be impossible for her to have taken her own life in the way it was done. There is no doubt they would have killed the other woman had not the white man with whom she had been living, come home that day and released her. White men have told me that it is no uncommon thing for the indians to put persons to death who they suppose to be witches. But that they had never known them to torture persons as they has these. We have all come to the conclusion that the leading man (who is a very smart but very bad intelligent indian) in this thing did it ^{all} for the sake of gain. He thought if he could make these women believe that they were going to be killed- that they would give him everything they had in order to save their lives. The saddest result of the whole matter is, the effect it has had on the minds of some of the young people. Some of my brightest and best scholars have been entirely led away with this thing. As we have no kind of law here, no person felt that they had any right to interfere. You will see what discouraging and difficult things I have to contend with. White men have said to me, "If you will get a good minister here- so that the indians will feel that he is permanent- and one that will make them understand that he is determined to break up all this thing, it will do more to prevent and do away with it than anything else that can be done. "God grant that we may soon have such a man".

I know you will call this letter unreasonably long,

but I could not say what I wished and make it any shorter.

There is yet one thing more I want to write about. I want you to tell me where and from whom you got that information in your printed letter, about the "Blind" Indian travelling so far in search of some one who could tell him about our religion. There has been much talked about it. Not so much here as at Sitka, and I am sorry to say our missionaries have made more talk about it than any one else. As I have commenced on this sheet I will talk a little more about other matters.

I don't know what we are going to do for a place in which to hold our school and church next winter. As soon as the miners commence coming down we will have to give up the room we are now in, and we cannot even get the old log house we had last winter, as it is going to be used for other purposes. There is a very desirable place we can get in the Garrison, if we decide about it at once. They made \$50.00 per month last winter renting it to the miners. But have offered it to me for \$30.00 per month from the 1st. of September to the 1st. of May. After that for half that price. But they say I must decide about it before there is a rush of men here or it will be taken up at once. For many reasons it would be very desirable to have the school inside the Garrison. It will be altogether different from last year.

Mr. Vanderbilt is going to move his family into the Headquarters house, then if we go into the Hospital to open the Home and we should rent the other large building for school and church- there would not be any miners quartered inside and it would be quite reserved. Mr. Vanderbilt has already closed up the back gate of the Garrison, and made a board-walk around the outside, so there is no running through there. Dear me, I wish we owned the buildings inside the Garrison. I am much obliged for the extra copies of the "Rocky Mountain Presbyterian" and also for the leaflets. I will write the above to the Board when I send my report. But thought I might hear from you first and that you would advise me what to do.

Sincerely your sister in Christ,
A. R. McFarland.

P. S.

Dr. I had another talk with Mr. Vanderbilt yesterday evening, we also went over and went through the Hospital building and the other building I spoke of for school. It

would cost me about \$50.00 to have the Hospital building put in order so we can use it. You remember how it looked when you was here last summer. It is much worse now, as the miners used it last winter cooking in every room. The other building Mr. Vanderbilt said he would put in order for us if I decided to take it. I told Mr. Vanderbilt what I had written to you about coming here in the fall. He said for me to add a post script and tell you it would be altogether the best time for you to come, and that if you could come up on October Steamer (remember the Steamer leaves Portland now on the 26th of the month in place of the first) and stay over for the November Steamer he knows you could get a good deal of both money and work out of the Indians, as they will all be home then from the mines. Besides he thinks you will be able to collect a good deal of money from the miners. Mr. Vanderbilt says from the first of May the rent of the school building will only be \$10.00 per month. He says if the buildings belonged to him he would do much better for us than he can possibly do, when he is acting for other parties.

He says he will hire Indians and have the wood brought in for me if I say so. But I really do not know what to do about it.

I have never written anything to the Board (or at least very little) about my desire to open a Home here. But I decided I had better write today about Mr. Vanderbilts offer lest they might take exceptions to my not communicating the matter to them.

The Grappler has just come in, so I will close this and send it off on her.

I had a little hope Mr. Young would come on the Grappler, but he did not. I hope to hear from you as soon as possible.

A. R. McFarland.

Rawlins, Wyoming., July 29th 1878.

Rev. Sheldon Jackson,

Dear Brother:-

We have just received a letter from Brother W. E. Hamilton in which he agrees to come here, which is just what our people desire, and unless you have already made some other positive arrangements we are suited.

This proposition is on the basis that we raise \$50.00 per month, which I believe we can do more easily for him than

than any one else.

Very truly;

G. C. Smith.

Trinidad, Colorado., July 29th, 1878.

My Dear Doctor:-

Your kind note and accompanying check came to hand today, for which many thanks. Will consider the whole a loan half to be paid to you, and the other to lend to Dr. Williams for Zuni, when the Board refunds my travelling expenses.

Mr. Dodg has preached twice and all of us are well pleased, and should be glad if he would make up his mind to stay, which he does not seem inclined to do at once. Hope he will do so however very soon and remove this unsettled state of feeling in the church. His wife is ill most of the time, and she will I think decide the matter.

In one of the two, minister or wife always are invalids. Will we have to do like the Methodists used to do- forbid a man's marrying a woman without a certificate that she is "sound"? or like the morozans, have a committee select a woman for a brother and forward her to him?

I had a letter the other day which I cannot find today, from a Mr. Sayer in Danville, N. J. saying that he had been a missionary in Chili, understood Spanish, is forty-two years old, and just about to marry the second time, and wanted a field for mission work.

Will send you his letter. I advised him to write you, thinking he might be needed in New Mexico.

Mr. Merritt at Los Alamos I hear thinks of offering for Indian work.

With kindest regards,

Yours truly,

Henry R. Palmer.

P. S.

Haven't you a good photo of your self to spare to our collection of daring spirits. (By order of Mrs. P).

(Postal Card)

Logan, Utah., July 29th, 78.

Dear Dr:-

I have secured the Store Room of Lindquist, the one you saw, at \$260.00 per annum including the back room.

We will live and hold our school and meetings thus.

Yours, C. M. Parks

Waveland, Indiana., July 23th, 1878.

Mr. Jackson,
Sir:-

The ladies of the "Missionary Society", and the band of "Youthful Workers" wish to send a box of clothing to some worthy missionary ministers family. Will you please inform us of such? Please give us the uses and sizes of each. We prefer sending a box to a family where there are children.

Corresponding Secretary of the band of "Youthful Workers".

Address- Mattie Watson,
Waveland, Indiana.

Montgomery, Co.,

P. S. Answer immediately.

Fairplay, July, 23th, 1878.

Dear Brother Jackson:-

I wrote you this line by Brother Dazell to let you know that I have received word whatever from the R. M. Board at New York, and am left in doubt as to what they will do or whether anything at all for this field.

I wrote you a note two weeks ago on this subject, but no reply has been received as yet. I hope you will write me immediately, or come this way if you can go to Louisville soon.

Yours very truly,

G. Moore.

Trinidad Colorado., July 30th, 1878.

Brother Jackson:

I wrote to you a few days since and have been expecting an answer. Let me try your patience a little further. My mind has not been changed much by my fathers acquaintance with this place. And I still feel that nothing but the love of Christ could constrain me to stay here. And for his sake I am willing to stay. But I do not feel very sure that He wants me to stay. He has entrusted to my care, under His vine and loving Providence, a dear Family. It is a part of my duty to Him to care for them as they need. They have not been well cared for since we came here. We are the goats of the church until we have time to decide about staying. They put us in a very small room in the ^{rear} end and second story of a very cr-

dinary third rate village, hotel or boarding house, where we have the interesting hum of a steam flouring mill and its shrill whistle together with the fumes of a dirty pig pen. This is almost too much for flesh and blood. I think they might have done better. Perhaps not. I believe that we shall feel more at home ^{able to do so} and be better work farther north. Have you a place? I am willing to begin well down in the scale and trust the Lord to enable me to build up if the place is more congenial. Let me hear soon.

If you think it is my duty to stay here please say so frankly. The people voted to have me stay. But they do not seem to labor in the same direction.

Please let me hear from you soon.

Very truly and kindly yours,

R. Dods.

Moosgoe, Indian Terr., July 30th. 78.

Rev. Sheldon Jackson D. D.

Denver, Colorado.

Dear Sir:-

Your telegram received. I wrote you that Dr. Palmer told me in reference to the house-viz., "Do not move a step unless you are assured beyond a doubt that the money for the house will be forthcoming when required".

I want to know this as I have no notion of taking my family there to depend on the money that the P. & F. family secured. The church does not require it- I want a comfortable support for my family.

Hoping to hear from you soon,

I am, Yours Truly,

M. P. Williams.

Cheyenne, W. T. July 31st. 1878.

Rev. Sheldon Jackson D. D.

My Dear Sir:-

Held communion last Sabbath, received seven, four on certificate, three on examination, two of the latter were baptised. Know of three (who no preventing Providence) will unite at our next communion.

McCauley of Stewartstown has been compelled to quit preaching for a while. Thinks he would like to come out west in the spring, says he could not come sooner.

Bingham wrote me on the 24th, instant. says the fail-

ing health of his mother will prevent his coming out before next spring.

John Alexander from Singham's place (Oxford) says he does not believe that he will ever come. Alexander is an Elder in Dr. Calvin Stewart's Church- he and a brother in-law were here and may come out to go into the Cattle business- If so- their families will be a great help our church.

Snyder was up to the Elk Hills- ~~there~~ has left - the Congregational Mission was up there and I wanted to organize a Congregational Church. Snyder says there are more Presbyterians than Congregationalists, but thinks it would be wise to let them work away.

The 16th, instant will complete my third year here- have received fifty-one members of whom thirteen were on examination. Married forty-eight couples. Baptized twenty-six. Attended twenty-seven funerals. I believe my record though not what it should be is the best in town all things considered.

Pray the Lord to bless us more in the future.

Yours etc.,

J. Y. ~~Cummins~~.

Lake City, Colorado., August, 1st. 78.

Dear Brothers:-

Yours received. I had already received notice from the Home Board that they had granted an additional \$100.00. I am obliged to you for your efforts on my behalf. I am getting along better now than when I last wrote.

The church has prayed so that they agreed to pay, and have promised to raise more than the \$25.00 per month if possible. They had become very careless for raising money for the church. I told them that neither the Home Board nor I were charitable institutions and that out of so large congregations as we had more money ought to be raised, and since the opening of the church it has been full and I have endeavored to preach on subjects that would wake the people up, to a sense of their duty, and so far have succeeded well.

I trust all will go on well. I am deep in debt but I try and not bother about it, but preach the gospel.

Mrs Darby and I are glad to know that we are remembered by you. "May God's richest blessings rest upon you and yours?"

Yours in Christ.,

P. S. I received a letter from Brother Beebe, saying he would

like to have me go to Anisak City and build a church, while he preached in my place. I told him it would be impossible for me to leave my field at the present time; and for him to never say fail, but wade right in and build it himself.

G. M. Darley.

27 Centre Street, New York City.,

August 2nd, 1878.

Dear Brother Jackson:-

We have sent \$100.00 to Gillespie- I have sent five names to McMillan-

1. Mrs. Sharon. -Merion, Coaster Kansas.
2. Miss Pitts. -Knoxville, Tennessee.
3. Miss Dunbar.
4. Miss Hall.

The first Mrs. Graham is trying to get for Santa Fe. The second for Costilla- provides I can find any beds to assume her supper. Miss Dunbar only on condition she is not wanted at Wrasig-

5. Miss Magill sister of Rev. J. P. Magill of Lewis-town, Illinois.

I suggest that you correspond with Mr. Roberts as to the meeting of Santa Fe Presbytery- I have suggested ^{that} as Dr. Williams and family- perhaps Mrs. Sharon and little boy will go to Santa Fe- Mr. and Mrs. Hall to Coate -Miss Rose to San Luis, -Miss Burdick to Pecos- perhaps Miss Pitts to Costilla- that convenience to various parties getting in - ~~arranging~~ transportation by arranging Presbytery at the right time and place- and that to fix it when these parties could see the little Presbytery would be very refreshing. Mr. Hall and his own might like to return about the time you propose to go in with Williams and his family- See how you can fix it to save time and teams without waste of horse flesh, beef or human legs and purses.

I suppose you are putting Dr. Wilson his Assembly nat up and down the valley and over the mountains- Keep him going till he promises all you ask! How did the Normans like that hat! I am off for a couple of weeks - but write all the same; letters will be forwarded.

Smith of Santa Fe writes that Tenney and Bliss have been there and established a school to open September-1st- and that the school is already incorporated- I hope they have not stolen our charter- He writes full particulars and a long

"screed" about the Presbyterian church.

Truly yours,

H. Kendall.

, New York., August 8th, 78.

Dear Brother Jackson:-

Your letter of the 30th, ult- came the day I left the office and it was forwarded here to the care of my brother and met me here last Monday evening. I have spent the Sabbath at Binghamton-

Your stereoptical pictures to Mrs. Kendall and your mail route Map came in due time for which not only thanks but more.

Your letter had been read at the post-office, and presume- has been complied with. How best it has not I believe have this A. M. written to Mr. Eaton about money for yourself and for Dr. Williams.

I do not feel authorized to write Menard and give him any orders about Zuni- I see no better way than for you to lay your plan before him and ask his co-operation. We certainly shall have no objection to his doing anything he will to help you.

I sent you previous long letter- and plan to Dr. Thomas- as giving him my best possible idea of what was going on. The circular, rather the extract you send about McGee and Lincoln perfectly confounds me. I can't believe that he was an outlaw and strongly suspect the right was with him. But when we hear from Dr. Ealy we shall probably know all the facts.

As to stereoptical views, if they have no more at Santa Fe than they had last fall, we procured them all we desired. But if they have new or more rare views get us a dozen of general assortment. But we will leave the matter very much to your own judgment.

Again Mrs. Kendall has a message and a compliment for you. At Bloomfield she met a ministers wife (Mrs. Schert Norton) who said that the Rocky Mountain Presbyterian was one of the best missionary papers she knew of. (A Mrs. Hanley at Binghamton gave a similar one.) As a result she wishes you to send the paper to- Mrs. Harriet E. Porter. Mrs. F. Munson and Mrs. Ellen McGlashan all of east Bloomfield, New York.

Charge me with Mrs. McGlashan's copy- she is a ministers widow- the other can pay for themselves- send bills- also charge

me with the two stereoscope already sent and those to come.

Miss Lauderdale's address is Miss Frank Lauderdale
Genesee, New York.,

I am awaiting another letter about Utah and etc.

Yours truly,

H. Kendall.

23 Centre Street New York.,

July 31st, 1878.

Dear Brother Jackson:-

Your telegram about Ealy came this A. M. I hasten to reply. We want to hear from Ealy-what is the matter? Is it a war against him or is it a battle of two factions which has been going on so long? Then again if it is a battle wagen against him it is for righteousness sake- or for some blunder of his making. Then again whatever the nature of it, is it not likely that the breeze will blow over so that he can return to his field. We have taken a good deal of stock in him and don't like to give him up.

As to his going to Albuquerque- We should say yes if the way is open and he cannot go back to Lincoln. Something ought to be found for him- there are several alternatives.

If Armin should be driven from Las Vegas I should like to put Ealy in there. But the courts have adjourned and Armin has his lease of life till fall at least- time is a great element in such matters. By that time matters may turn over.

Then if Armin should not go to Cimarron - how would Ealy do there? Then as to the Navajo - how does that stand now- then there is Silver City- I say these things not to discourage the idea of going to Albuquerque- I am not certain but that is the best place after all. The Atchison & Santa Fe road must be aiming for that point. The Denver, and Rio Grande may run down on the other side. Would it build up a town on those sand bluffs, and kill Albuquerque? I should think not.

Now the whole drift of this letter which you send to Ealy if you like, is to have him hold on somewhere, Fort Lincoln or Santa Fe- if you know where, and you and he look the field over and determine what is the best point. It would be a grand thing if we could get a good foot hold at Armin. Ought we not, can we not hold Las Vegas- Santa Fe- and Albuquerque friendly for Christ? and facts? Can we not man them more vigorously? Why not? But let us have the facts, and consider- Meanwhile if he sees a good harbor, like a wise mar-

iner he will probably sail right in their port.

Yours truly,

P.S. I am awaiting your

H. Kendall.

Salt Lake Letter.

23 Centre St., New York., August, 15, 78.

Dear Brother Jackson:-

We have yours of the 30th ult, the 7th and 10th instants, I answer them all at once.

Bingham City- You turn a very sharp corner on me- asking me to get Brooklyn Ladies' to give another \$200.00 to have that property, and all to be done in twenty days from the date of your writing and when not a single Brooklyn lady is at home that has any voice or ^{authority} anything in the matter. The thing could not be done- so yesterday I advanced the \$200.00 to Gillespie from my own pocket as a loan. But I think you ought to have stood in the breach this year, especially as I have to meet some obligations very soon, which make it hard for me to spare the money just now, though I do not expect to lose it in the long run. But more of this for her on.

I note what you say about Ogden, Gallagher- Logan and Parks, also other places- As to ~~Texas~~ ~~as to~~ ~~the~~ ~~same~~ ~~yes,~~ organize a church as soon as possible in as much as that meets one of the conditions of church erection aid- They cannot refuse when there is an organization.

Now we come to the aid to build- that leads to raising special contributions. How shall that be done? Shall we tell McMillan, Bird, Leonard, Gillespie and Parks to come East to raise that money, or how shall we raise it?

As to Hawaii, I do not see why you should not push along. As to Alaska- I can say nothing- as we are waiting to hear from Dr. Lindsay- As to Colorado- We have made advances I think to both Smith and Davis- that I hope will suit them more and Otis and both appointed.

Just here I come to the names of men you inquired about- 1. Levi P. Crawford- six feet 3 or 4 in his stockings- and 50 years of age- but perfectly sound. A genuine Illinoisian, and ought to stay in that State I think- I don't think he will be happy elsewhere. But he is true, wise and good- But big things are apt to be

2. Chas. A. Taylor of Mt. Pleasant, Michigan- first rate man, quite young- but his head gave out- Perhaps he could be well in Colorado perhaps not.

3. Iddings of Neenah- yes, he is good. But he has

gone to Grand Forks, Dacotah, Terr-- 90 miles down the Red River of the North from Moorhead-- I send you his letter, with a hint about Hawley.

4. Wright of Brooklyn, New York we can't find.

5. Thrasher, Beatrice, Nebraska--

6. George W. Mackie, Chicago--you don't want the former in Colorado-- The latter is a good man--pleasant and good looking, but has very little brain power. I don't believe you want him-- D. H. Green, I know nothing about him, but told him to write you and Fraser.

I send a letter from San Mills about Lead City-- I have no confidence in Mills any way-- But you can have the letter for what it is worth. (I find I have sent Idding's letter to Hawley, and he advises Hawley to go out on the North Pacific and occupy some towns within 100 miles of F where Scotchmen abound etc.

As to Ealy we think favorably of his going to Zuni let him take along that letter lady teacher-- We might not find a better man than he for Albuquerque but that can wait better than Zuni-- Dr. Dickson favors his going. If he gives his consent before the 27th, inst. telegraph us that we can appoint him.

Roberts writes favorable about Cinicero, Guadalupe. You must learn about them at Presbytery.

As to Smith and all other New Mexico matters you will be able to tell us fully. I have no doubt you can get that money for Zuni buildings-- if you know how-- I don't know how exactly.

Yours truly,

H. Kendall.

23 Centre Street, New York,

August 17th, 1878.

Dear Brother Jackson:-

I have been talking with Dr. Dickson about Miss Pitts. I find we have money enough on hand to support her. Roberts had destined her for Costilla--

Now, if you and he can obtain definite information of her and of the place and the present offers and prospects at Costilla she can go forward-- I shall write the same to Roberts.

I am afraid she is young and inexperienced. But I think Roberts has seen her and will know. Yours truly,

H. Kendall.

23 Centre Street, New York,
August 18th, 1878.

Dear Brother Jackson:-

Here is your money asked for- the money for the Zuni building- Quaddetim. Dr. Palmer has some more and when we pay him as I think we shall at the next meeting, we will reserve that amount and forward to you. But observe- Dr. Dickson and myself do not think it wise to build this house at Zuni, unless you have a missionary to put in it. If Mr. Ealy will go- let Miss Grant go with him as assistant- then go ahead take him with you and Menauls, he can help you build and in doing so can get acquainted with the people.

It will be a helpfull introduction to him and having you and Menaul with him will magnify his importance before the people. Besides we do not want to put that money into a building and leave it alone among the Indians for any considerable time. All that makes it more and more important that Ealy should go.

My wife wrote you two or three days ago and sent her letter to Santa Fe, supposing you would be gone from home before this. You will probable find it when you get there.

I wish I could go with you down to that Presbytery. There are a good many important matters coning up-in the minutes of 1878.

Santa Fe Persbytery is marked with four ministers names, "three candidates".. Are not

? Why then do not their names appear?

Yours truly,

H. Kendall.

25 Center Street, New York.,
August 20th, 1878.

Dear Brother Jackson:-

I wrote you yesterday-I hope you will be careful what you publish as from Julia McVale Wright- she was not here at the Conference-thc' urged to come- she is only expressing pre-conceived notions-and may damage negotiations now on hand- I think Mrs. Haines, Mrs. Scovill and Mrs. Boyd may be trusted not to be sold or cheated. I think things are working. You see by what I wrote yesterday how important it is to get Ealy for Zuni and push him right in. Yes we must keep our eyes open to new openings in New Mexico. You will know more about Albuquerque when you come back than now. Wish you had time to visit Peratto.

and see if you can find any of Burin's old converts there. So also as to Conejos I don't find a "Cinacero" on any of the maps. As to Montana- You ask how many men we will commission. Now that depends on how many pressing calls we have- How many good openings you find- We don't want you to wander aimlessly through the Territory. But you can learn from of and visit such as are reported of prime importance- Into such it is our duty to send men-

Don't trouble yourself about that Alaska report in the Record. The mass of readers will not disparage you, tho' I suspect you are quite rightabout Dr. L. I have had my surmises in that direction some time.

Things will come right- We hear nothing from Dr. L. about Miss Dunbar

Yours truly,

H. Meniall.

Santa Fe, New Mexico., August 2nd, '78.

Rev. Sheldon Jackson,

Dear Sir:-

As my husband has been absent for more than three weeks, and as he may^{not} be here for three weeks to come, I will answer your letter to the best of my ability, which, I fear, will not be very well.

Dr. Thomas is engaged in closing up the ~~Agency~~ Agency and moving the Indians to the Southern Mountains in Colorado. His office business is very much behind hand and will have to be attended to first after he gets home, I presume. There are calls for him to see ~~the~~ ~~the~~ in all directions, but as to what he will do in that case, I cannot say. From what I know of the work that he has on hand I fear that he will not be able to go to Zuni in September. But of course, I cannot say positively.

I am very glad to hear that you have some more Missionaries engaged for Zuni. I hope that they are the kind, like the Shields, who can take things as they find them and make the best of the situation.

Mrs. Shields is neither so refined nor cultivated as Mrs. Palmer and does not display so much zeal in her work conversation, but I think she displays more zeal in the right direction. Dr. Shields and wife are just the people for the work and I hope that the Williams family will prove to be of the same stamp. But I am distressing- you know that a

woman never can write a business letter.

With regard to the doors and sash for the building at Zuni I am really not capable of giving advice, but I should suppose it would be much better to purchase at the end of the rail-road. Those things are very high here. I would not say which would be the best route for Dr. Williams to take, by Alamosa or Trinidad, but if he takes the latter it would be nearer to go directly to Albuquerque, and supplies for the wood were formerly cheaper, either at Las Vegas or Albuquerque, than at this place. I do not know that that is the case now, and I do not know about the hardware, however, I am tolerably sure that anything could be cheaper in Las Vegas than here. I do not believe that a man could be hired here at all. I know of some but these belong to the Government. If the Palmers had not disposed of their Sibley I should think that would be a good thing to get, if your idea was to have the family live in it. Dr. Thomas still has his ~~subulance~~, but has also a high wagon. You could probably have the wagon but that would not do much good without the horses, and I have not the remotest idea where or on what condition the horses will be at that time.

Dr. Thomas has them with his son, and they are having a hard trip, one of them has died since he left home.

I am sorry not to be able to give you more information (definite and satisfactory) on any of these points, but you, at least, know why you do not get it.

With love to Mrs. Jackson,

Very sincerely your friend,

Edith B. Thomas.

P. S. We will be glad to see you at Presbytery and still arrange for your entertainment.

23 Centre Street, New York.,
August 2nd, 1878.

My dear Dr. Jackson:-

You may remember asking me at Pittsburg if I had received a pass from B & M. R. R.

I was unable to answer entirely yesterday in undoing a bundle of papers your letter containing pass fell out. Thousand thanks for your kindness. This will explain my uncertainty in answering you. The pass is limited to June 30th, it has been impossible to use it? As much obliged as if I had. How is your lame foot? Did the great beating injure it?

You must take the best of care lest the injury lead to permanent weakness. Such injuries are worse afterwards than at the time, if neglected.

I trust your family are all well- Mrs. Dickson expects to leave for Lakeland Monday-our youngest granddaughter is very ill with Dysentery.

Mr. C. H. Reynolds is to be with us to-night. He is to preach two Sabbaths in the Church in Lakeland. I anticipate much pleasure from his visit.

Your trip to Utah must have proved exceedingly uncomfortable for the last.

Most truly and fraternally,
yours,

Dickson.

Levellie, New York., August 2nd, 1878.

Dear Brothers:-

Yours of the 27th, ult. is at hand. We all deeply regret that Dr. Palmer left Zuni. Our ladies consent to give them money this year to the erection of a house at Zuni. It will probably amount to \$50.00. This is small, but several of the ladies associated in this (Syracuse) Presbytery have become interested in this same object and will probably devote their offerings to this purpose.

I will do what I can to help it along. Am in communication with Mrs. M. C. Armstrong of Fayetteville Secretary. I think if we all pull together we can raise the amount.

Yours fraternally,

H. C. Wason.

Levellie, Colorado., August 5th, 1878.

Rev. Sheldon Jackson D. D.

Denver, Colorado.,

Dear Brother:-

I write you in regard to your proposal to me, that I should preach here on the alternate Sabbaths when Brother Jancey is not here. I am willing to do it. But I desire you to make the arrangement that it may not seem to be a matter of my own seeking, and also that you shall secure some compensation for me, for my services as you proposed.

The Methodists are treating me very kindly here,

and as they often express, it's on account of my age. And other people here do the same, all of which is very comforting and reassuring to me.

You asked me, How is Brother Janeway getting along here. I can hardly tell. But since you came here I am often met with the enquiry, "Why are you not in charge of that church? You are an old minister, and living here." "Why is that boy the minister?" This may operate against him, since there is a strong prejudice against boy preachers. People say they want a man of experience and judgment to instruct them. Then I have heard Brother Janeway's sermon characterized as only "a pretty essay."

I do not say these things to disparage Brother Janeway, but to meet your enquiry, "How is Brother Janeway getting on?"

The arrangement you propose may relieve the difficulty, and if a sufficient support can be secured for me that may induce my continued stay here.

Yours truly,
Lewis Hamilton.

Taca, New Mexico., August 5th, 1878.

Dear Brother Jackson:-

I am very glad to learn from your letter which reached me this morning that Miss Rosa, Miss Pitta and Mr. Hall, and wife are to be sent to Conejos in our schools. I think probably the name of my brother John was before the Board at the same time with the others. I sent them all together to Dr. Kendall.

Now it is my opinion that Conejos, that is Brother John's assigned field is more important than all the rest, because there is a large field containing many villages in all most all of which we can find a few friends to welcome the gospel at once. In this way we can go in and possess the land. otherwise some one else will step in and possess the it for some other. I want these men teachers to become evangelists as soon as they get the language well enough to preach it. Brother John is an excellent teacher, and one of the most devoted men, he is old enough to have passed by the follies of younger life and within a few years he is wholly given to the mark of Christ.

I really think he is well fitted for the work in Conejos, and for that reason I do want him to be commissioned.

and sent there and not because he is my brother.

Miss Anna M. Ross, direct to Box 331- Delaware, Del. County, Ohio.

Robert Hall, Nevada, Wyandott County, Ohio.

Miss Susie E. Pitts, Knoxville, Marion County, Iowa.

I will be glad if you send these parties your card and inform them how to obtain the half fare over the A. T. & S. F. R.R. I mention this rail-road because it is the best rail-road, and best accommodations and saves distance of travel and at least 24 hours time.

You do not say if you can attend Presbytery or not. I hope to see you in Santa Fe on the 23th of August.

I will further ask that you exert yourself somewhat between this and the next meeting of the Board in behalf of Canejos. I am thankful that for those already appointed, but I want more.

We are all quite well. Mrs. Roberts wishes to be kindly remembered to yourself and your wife, (Mrs. Jackson) and the daughters.

I received a note today from Brother Janeway. He did not locate at Silverton, but went to Beederville. I hope the best for him. I liked what I saw of him very much.

Yours truly,

Jesse M. Roberts.

New York City., August 6th, 1878.

Dear Dr. Jackson:

My dear friend:-

I take it for granted that you have always your hands full enough, but want to say a few words to you about our school at Santa Fe, as I understand you are to be there shortly. Mr. Smith has intimated to the Board, that the Congregational Educational Societys have advertised to open a school there September 1st. I shall not go over the various reasons, for the failure of the gentlemen sent to Santa Fe, to succeed, one reason no doubt was, that they were not ready for gentlemen of their culture, who could not come down to an ^{elementary} school, and to which a lady is better adapted. Dr. Kendall is fully aware of other reasons, & advised us last winter to do nothing- so there would have been no school but for our good Mrs Griffeth I do not see that this proposed school need at all affect our S-

I have been much disappointed in not securing a per-

son whose name was furnished me by Dr. Kendall- but I trust that some one else will offer, and certain changes may come at Santa Fe.

I presume Mrs. Griffith will re-open the school at the usual time, and all go on as usual- I shall be glad however to have some one communication from you upon the subject while you are there, as to what is most desirable for us to do. If we could have a clergyman there whose wife could teach, it seems to me the best thing we could do. Perhaps you may know of such a one, and then bring us out of all our difficulties. I say this, it being here having been reported to us, that the Mr. Smith was about to leave- I do not say it to interfere with him in any way, and it may be that he contemplates no change- but whether or no, a man and his wife, it seems to me, would be the best thing- and as we have our Property there to give them a Home, they could start at once. Please let me know if you know any such. We are hard at work all the time, and I trust our work is about to be ^{completed} greatly.

Yours very truly,

J. W. Graham.

48- West 10th, Street.

Salt Lake City., August 25th, 1878.

Dear Dr. Jackson:-

Can you suggest anything in regard to that property at Bingham? You know a payment of \$200.00 must be made this month. Did'nt Dr. Kendall promise to see that matter through? I so understood it, otherwise Gillespie would not have bought it. I'm going to write to Dr. K. and I think you had better do so too. It is essential to meet everything promptly of these. I've sent Gillespie some money. Have'nt heard from him since you were here.

A fire in Alta last Thursday swept the town clean, not a building being left but the depot, the craft house, and two or three stables. It burned in the afternoon. Our church went with the rest. I suppose the Board of Church Extension had insurance enough to cover the mortgage of \$300.00.

I know no other way by which Alta could have been purified except by such a fire.

Hope Mrs Jackson and the girls are well.

You promised to send me a good map of Utah, if I'd remind you about it. Will this do for a reminder?

If you republish Dr. Cuylers letter in the Presbytery

of August 3rd, I wish you would correct what he says about the Gentiles "diminishing in numbers a few" There are not so many here as in 1873, but the number is now increasing.

Yours fraternally,

Robert G. McFiee.

Central City, Colorado., August 6th, 78.

Dear Brother Jackson:-

I write to speak of Trail Creek and the religious interest there. I have recently seen a number of persons who live there and from them have received corroborative testimony to the statements made by brother Price. The Freeland Mine is large and in the hands of a large and wealthy Company. They now employ 65 men, and are constantly increasing the number. Enlargement of operations is continually going on and a Concentration mill will, in all probability, soon be built. There seems no doubt about its being a permanent mining Camp.

The people are chiefly Welsh, and are well instructed and industrious. Brother Price is working diligently among them. There are now 20 persons ready to join in this organization of a church. Also a number of anxious enquirers. They have a Sabbath school of 40 members. Prayer-meeting is well attended- ten of their number being ready at all times to take a public part. An attempt was recently made to open a liquor saloon, but a number of leading men, headed by brother Price, succeeded in preventing. Since then they have organized a Temperance Society, and are determined to hold the ground against all liquor men. Altogether it is a very hopeful field for the present results, twice as much as at Idaho Springs. I think a church ought to be organized to hold together the little band, and introduce them into this Presbytery. I write now particularly, because a majority of the Christians among them have been Congregationalists and will probably apply to that body for help if we do not soon move in the matter. They are becoming somewhat impatient. At present they are united for a Presbyterian church, but say they can't wait much longer. I have been encouraging them and giving them assurances. They do not contemplate the erection of a church building. They will occupy the school house that is to be built soon. Their hope is to be combined with Idaho Springs, and Lawson's into one Pastorate. This seems practicable.

They desire to know before-hand when you will be with them, and also greatly desire that services shall take place

on the Sabbath, as there is no other time when all can be present. They have quite urgently requested me to be present with you, which I will try and do if you can give me notice.

Idaho Springs is their Post-Office at present. Write to William D. Price, Idaho, Springs.

Yours truly,

J. W. Johnston.

P. S. I have just received the Rocky Mountain Presbyterian for August. I observe in it a notice in regard to the church at Monument. The thought just struck me, how could that do for me? I do not think that I will engage here for another year. If I choose between remaining here and going East, I believe I shall choose the East. In some respects I am better here, but taking it all in all, I can do more work East. I think you I can do more good, and perhaps receive more good. I certainly can obtain much more money. That however may be an evil and not a good.

I would like however to try some favorable situation somewhere along the foot hills. I know very little about the church at Monument, and very little about the surrounding country. If there is there, a hopeful field of labor, I would like to try it. I think I will write brother Gabe in regard to it. I cannot leave here, however before the 1st. of October.

You may have heard that we had a young son - was seven weeks old. Mrs. Johnston is well and joins in love to yourself and Mrs. Jackson.

Most truly,

J. W. Johnston.

(postal)

Fairplay, Colorado, August 7th, 1893.

Rev. Dr. Jackson,
Denver,

Dear Brother:-

Your letter received. My constabulary came on for six months. Granting aid for \$50.00 less than applied for on the field they will not at present be able to raise \$200.00. My support will be inadequate. But I received no check, and could not well do otherwise than to remain until the last of October or 1st, November. You will no doubt think it best to get a man to fill the place here, when I leave. I think it important to hold this field all the time without a month's vacancy if you wish to save the churches. Sometime between now and the 25th of October procure me a pass or 1/2 fare East of Kansas City

as far East as you can, and send it to me.

Our Sabbath Schools are doing well. In other prospects is about middling well. Times are considered extremely dull here.

Very truly yours,
C. Moore.

Taos Taos, New Mexico., August 7, 78.

Dear Brother Jackson:-

Brother Mondragon has just returned from preaching in Sinicero and reports progress there. The rail-road is being pushed through as fast as possible. They are at work grading as far down as Guadalupe, six miles only from Sinicero.

It is suggested to me that the Board will see easily the great need of putting a teacher to begin the work at once. We shall have a school both at Sinicero and Guadalupe, the county seat of that county, and only one of many villages which are in that large valley of the Conejas River.

If we can establish a good school in one of these places we will be in a position to know where a more permanent school of a higher class should be put by and by.

I wrote to Mr Kendall yesterday, laying before him the whole matter, and it does seem to me that the Board will see the way clear at once of appointing Brother John for the Conejas Valley. In view of this probability I will ask you to send John A. Roberts, Knoxville, Iowa, a card for half fare over the A.T. & A&F. R.R. if you please. I do want that field occupied at once. And I want to meet the whole party at R. R. at the same time.

Yours truly,
James W. Roberts.

Trinidad, Colorado., August 8th, 1878.

Er. Jackson,

Dear Brother:-

I will venture once more to address you. Twice since I came here no response had yet come. I suppose you are very busy, or my letters have not found you. I want very much to hear from you before my mind is made up to stay or go.

Besides other things that I have already written to you, which make it questionable whether I should stay here, the alkali water does not seem to be wholesome for my wife. She has kidney trouble at times. I almost feared before coming

here that it was too far south. I would have been glad indeed to have seen you before we came here. Then we could have had a better understanding.

This place needs a man very much, and it may be that I ought to stay here. If so I am willing to do the best I can until it becomes clearly my duty to go somewhere else. But to be entirely frank I confess that we would like a place farther north in the state if the Lord in his kind Providence should open up a place for us.

Please let us hear from you very soon. Dr. Palmer has had two letters from you since I came here.

It is very warm here.

Fraternally and kindly yours,
B. Dada.

P. S. We have a class selected. They are to be installed next Sabbath. Brother Bascom, Martsoff and Dr. Palmer were elected.

Carlisle, Pennsylvania., August 8, 78.

Dear Brother Jackson:-

Our ladies N. M. Society in the lat. church is carried on with some interest- but would be greatly improved by having distinct mission among the Indians or Morans, to which they could give and free when they could have distinct communication.

Please recommend one- Write me at Vincennes, Indiana, where I expect to be for a few weeks.

Mr. Marross is at the Sea-Shore and N. Y.

Fraternally yours,
Joseph Vance.

Las Vegas, New Mexico., August 25th, 78.

Rev. Dr. Jackson,

Dear Brother:-

I have read your letter to me at this point and am not able to say yet what I will do. Have written to Clearcreek- think it would be a good field together with Elizabethtown about 15 or 20 miles off to the West of C.

Have written to Mr. Springer, a prominent lawyer of that place for information. Hope to hear from him by Wednesday morning.

I was in Lincoln and saw more than any one could have persuaded me I would see. Did not think that the U. S. Troops

would be allowed to lie on their backs and let houses be burned and men be burned also and shot down. That was the case in Lincoln. If the troops had not gone to Lincoln, Mr. McSwain would not have been killed, I firmly believe. We were between the firing and were not offered protection until we at great danger went and asked them to send an escort to take us out of danger. They did so, and the next day took us to the fort, (Stanton) and in a week sent us free to Las Vegas.

The last day (6 days) seeing Mrs. E. was quite sick, but she is improving. However I do not think at present she would be able to go on such of a journey.

Miss Gates is along with us, and thinks of teaching in the Mountains 40 miles north of here— at Agua, Negra— I want to take her out tomorrow.

Preached twice for Brother Lewis yesterday. As the rail-road is expected by next April this town will certainly receive its share of Presbyterians. I hope we may remain here until we decide as to where we will go. I want to be at Presbytery 29th of August which meets at Santa Fe.

If I remain in the Presbytery or Territory rather I will not decide about any other point until I hear from Cimarron.

Your Brother in Christ,
T. F. Ealy.

Pittsburg, Pa., August 3th, 1878.

Rev. S. Jackson,
Denver, Colorado.,

My Dear Friend:-

Will you please state some good object or objects in your field that the Ladies' Missionary Society of the Lawrenceville Presbyterian Church could contribute some unappropriated money?

This Society labors in the interest of both Boards, and when they give the fruits of their labors, prefer special causes.

Any information addressed to me will be passed to the Society.

Yours truly,
Robert Lavis.

(49th Street. 15th Ward)

P. S. Our Sabbath school likes special causes too.

Marsellias, Ohio., August 9th, 1878.

Mr. Jackson,
Dear Sir:-

The ladies of Marsellias are still trying to do a little toward helping gain the great cause. Last year we sent our money to different objects, as they presented themselves to our notice and as our treasury permitted. This year we desire to engage in some special work, and I write to you for information on that subject- We want to help support a lady teacher among the Mormons- we think we can give about one fourth of the amount needed- We are not auxiliary to the Board, and don't know about how to join with some other band or society and thus help.

In your opinion had we better become auxiliary to the Board and let that Body do the sending? Would they appropriate our money as we wished and would we be entitled to reports from the lady teacher? We are raw hands, we know so little of the workings (the individual) of the Board- and any information you can give us will be greatly received.

Our reason for remaining ^{independent} last year as we did, is, Our ladies object to helping pay salaries of officers- we have so little to give- that we want every cent to go to the cause.

I wrote to Mrs. Laffie of Chicago (Secretary of Home Missions) but have not heard from her yet, and I am anxious to meet the above questions at our next meeting, which will be the last Saturday of August.

Trusting that you will answer soon I will not trouble you further.

I am very respectfully yours,
Lizzie Rutins.

(Ses.)

Please tell us how the church and school building at Fort Wrangel, Alaska is progressing. We are much interested in the work there.

Address.

Lizzie Rutins.

Marsellias, Ohio.

Wyandott Co.

Lafayette, Pa.

August. 9th, 1878.

Dear Brother Jackson:-

I received your note last evening - I cannot tell

whether I shall go to R. or not, at least now-I leave for there this afternoon. D. V. Dr. McCandlish occupying my pupils on Sabbath. There is no call for my leaving here now- I have the finest Sabbath school and the largest congregations in the place- Our church is growing slowly- If however you would like Brother Bliss to come here, I will write you differently on Monday, whether it will or not be best for him to come up and preach on trial. Who ever comes, must expect to live on faith's la

We just did miss having Father Cimmarron with us- his letter came, but three days too late.

Kind regards to Mrs. Jackson and the children- By the way, I have just written to Father Burton declining further interest in the field though it should be occupied.

Yours,

W. E. Hamilton.

Southern Ute Agency, Colorado.,
August 10th, 1878.

Rev. Sheldon Jackson: D. D.

My dear Sir:-

Your letter of July 11th, in regard to Dr. Williams, was received sometime, somewhere, .

I have been engaged in moving Chinique Indians for a month and am not likely to get the business all closed up for another month.

I am waiting here for inspector Watkins, but expect to start for Santa Fe in two or three days, at the outside. I do not know yet what employers I am allowed for the present fiscal year. But presume will have as many teachers as last year. I have no doubt that I can employ Dr. Williams, and am glad that the prospect for getting a man for Zuni is so good.

I have heard nothing from the Indian Office in regard to buildings and do not much expect to hear anything.

My business is, shaping itself now so that I hardly expect to go to Zuni this fall. If I do, I will be glad to have you go along.

Allow me to remind the Board through you, that it is not guaranteeing permanent support to the Missionaries sent to the Pueblo. I say that this is not right and is not in accordance with my understanding of our compact. Allow me to urge you to give Jones the first attention in regard to buildings (at least before Zuni) because there we have a first class man and wife who will accomplish something if they are sustained.

is a more promising field than Zuni, Mrs. Thomas and all at Santa Fe were flourishing at last accounts. Best regards to Mrs. Jackson, and tell her the camping is fine

down here now.

Yours very truly,
B. M. Thomas.

Pages 184, 185 and 186 are omitted.

Ogden, Utah, August 11th, 1878.
Rev. Sheldon Jackson, D. D.,
Dear Brother:
I feel like writing to you in reference to our
work here. Since I came I have not been able to procure any

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hymn books for church services or for the Sabbath School. We have no library books, no catechisms, no bibles, no papers, in fact nothing, that belongs to a church and Sabbath School.

You kindly gave me the address of the Rev. Robert Irwin of the Board of Publication, but to my appeal for books and papers he sent a "circular" describing what the Board desired to do. I have written to the East, but as yet have received no reply, to my requests. Can you suggest any plan by which we can help ourselves? We owe for two months rent of our hall and have now started on the third month. I shall try to raise some money here to pay our rent but I wish I could get the Board of Church Erection to pay our rent for a few months till we get nicely started. I am going to write to the Board and it would be a favor to me as well as to the cause of missions good if you would write also. Please let me know who pays the rent of halls in other mission fields when a mission is first started? The people here are not like Gentiles in other places, liberal in supporting a church, but what little money they have they keep or spend it.

I am surprised at the little interest that the Congregationalists show in our church. I have visited them all and have requested them to sign our list of charter members for organization; but they have all refused except Mrs. and Miss Schran, Mr. Peebles relatives. If I had to depend on the Congregationalists for I would fail of forming a church. I have fourteen signers to our list for organization and I expect two more. Our services are well attended, our Sabbath School numbers fifty-six. On each of the last two Sabbaths there were fifty in attendance at Sunday School.

After a month or two I think we will get along nicely. I wish you would be kind enough to do me another favor. If you would wait until January for the \$20.00 that you loaned me, it would be a great help to me. I find that I will need all that I can obtain from the Board and by January I shall be able to return your kind loan without being at all cramped.

I have written to Mr. McNiece about organization; he says he thinks we had better wait till after Presbytery meets, which will be the first Tuesday in September.

My wife joins me in sending kind regards to you. Receive our thanks for the "Rocky Mountain Presbyterian".

Yours in Christ,

G. W. Gallagher.

Florence, Arizona Territory.,
August, 12th, 1873.

Rev. Sheldon Jackson;-D. D.
Dear Brother:-

I arrived here July 28th. I find the field any thing but encouraging. Of course things will change when the weather gets cooler. Most of the families here have moved away which were to be organized into a church. Mr. Cium himself is going to leave in about two weeks, going back to Tucson. From what I had seen and heard of Mr. C. I had a very high estimation of him as a help, in fact I had intended to look up to him instead of having him look up to me. But since my arrival here he was so cold and has so little to say about church affairs that I was very much put down about it, thought that he did not take any stock in me, and I don't know what all I did not begin to think. He did not tell me directly that he was going to leave but I saw or inferred from that if he could conveniently do so he would leave last Sabbath evening after church. I made the remark to him and his wife that I supposed we could not do much yet in the way of having Sunday School while it was so hot, when she spoke up and said that they would be here only two Sabbaths more, that they were going to Tucson, ~~why~~ he would not tell me I don't know. Of course he was somewhat peculiarly placed to me and the Board, having been the main agent, at least outside of your self, to have a man sent to Florence. He had himself written me a stirring letter a week or two before I left him. You will appreciate therefore how I sometimes felt and feel under these circumstances.

Well, when I remember the prayers that were offered and many good wishes ^{the good people} that were sent with me as well as the need of the work, I do not think that I have come into Arizona on an empty mission. But unless there is a change I do not think that much can be done in Florence. The trouble is there are so few people and Americans here. The population is almost wholly Mexican or American men with Mexican wives, and you know where they are. I was told that 100 Mexican children who could not speak English attended for a short time the public schools here. Some here tell me that Phoenix is a better field. The people there are altogether American. I have been trying to learn whether there were any Presbyterian families there with whom I could correspond, so as to be able to act when it is cooler. The Methodists seem to be pretty strong

there, but what they have done I have not been able to find out yet. There are several local preachers there, that I have learned. I did not stop over in Yuma . It was very hot while I was there, and my cash short. I find that a man does not get free board on the Pacific Coast on the strength of his cloth. I preached two Sabbaths in the evenings. The first Sabbath I had twelve auditors, of this number six were preparing to leave the week following. Last Sunday evening I had the remaining six, five adults, two little girls. Two of these were Mr. C. and his wife, one of the little girls stays with them, and last Sabbath evening she brought her little sister with them. Well in two weeks Mr. and Mrs. C. will leave, and what the two little girls will do I know not, but quite likely there will be a decrease of four, so that we will have three left any way. Well if they were the Biblical three, I would'nt mind.

I have send a report of affairs to the Corresponding Secretary Board H. M. I have been kindly received by the lawyers and business men I have met. Of course it depends upon developments which the railway and miners may produce.

I should like very much to hear from you, and also to receive your paper.

Yours truly,

William Meyer.

P. S. In looking over this letter I see I have made many mistakes, please excuse them, I wrote in a hurry.

Fort Wrangel, Alaska., August 12th, 73.

Rev. Sheldon Jackson D. D.

Dear Brother:-

This Steamer which brought me your letter of the 13th, also brought us Mr. Young. You can imagine how rejoiced I felt. I like him very much indeed, and think he will make an excellent missionary. But I feel so sorry, he is not a married man, and I do hope the Board will not send any more single men to this country. I think it should be one of the requirements, that they will not commission any man unless he agrees to get married before coming. If you could know everything that I know here you would not wonder at my feeling as I do about this matter. It is strange that you did not receive my letter, I hope it was not lost. I sent you a

long letter by the "Otter" ten days ago. In it I wrote you my prospect, or rather my hope of getting my "Home", opened, this fall. Mr. Vanderbilt wants the giving of this house free of rent for a year to be recognized as his wife's donation to the work, and I want you to write a little article for your paper stating this. You will know the best form to put it in. It will please him greatly if you do this. I fear we will lose much of the help that he would have otherwise given us, by the treatment the Lindsleys give his wife, caused but some feeling that they gave have on account of Mr. and Mrs. Vanderbilt having an Episcopalian minister to marry them. Since Mrs. Vanderbilt went to Portland, she met Dr. Lindsley's daughters at a church sociable, and they did not recognize her, although she is a member of the Dr. church. It made Mr. Vanderbilt very indignant. I wonder they cannot throw aside all these personal feelings, for the sake of Christ's cause in this dark land, where he (Mr. Vanderbilt) has already and can yet do so much to aid us in our work. Yes, the Board sent me \$200.00 through Dr. Lindsley this mail, and now he writes me out a list of all the moneys I have received (including what I got from him and from you at Portland charging me 5% on the gold he and you gave me, when I would not had to pay but 3% here) charging it to me, and makes no reference to what I paid out for Philip and for school expenses. He wrote me at one time he had finally been able to settle with the Board and now he tells Mr. Young he wants him to go over all the accounts and see if he cannot straighten the matter up. I confess I am quite out of patience. The matter is perfectly plain to Mr. Young after I had explained it to him, and says he does not see how Dr. Lindsley can fail to understand it. All of this about Dr. Lindsley is confidential. I also had to pay \$4.50 on the one hundred and fifty I borrowed from you. It is right of course for you to apply the \$50.00 you received from Rochester, N. Y. on what I owe you, but it is impossible for me to pay the \$50.00 now for having seats made, although we need the seats very much, I think I will have Mr. Young get some lumber and make (for he says he is ready to do any kind of work) some more rough seats such as I had made last fall, and when our buildings are put up this summer they can be used for something, and I need not say anything about this \$50.00 until the school building is put up.

Tell me what you think of this plan, there is nothing wrong about it, is there? I will write the letter as you

suggest to the Sabbath school.

I do wish the Board would send my money direct to me, I do not see why they must send it to Dr. Lindsley when I report to them. I have written to the Board about appointing Miss Dunbar, but I fear she will not get it, the appointment, for Mr. Young tells me Dr. Lindsley is trying to get have another niece of his appointed to come here, I do pray she will not be sent.

Yes, I remember very well the episode you refer to in connection with my coming to Alaska. One thing Dr. Lindsley said to me at that time was, he needed a person of some experience ability to go to Alaska, if I do not know anything about business, I am inclined to think there are some men who do not know much more than I do. I suppose you have heard of Mr. Mallery's death in Arizona.

I received the set of Frank's charges his mail, through a mistake, this had never been sent, they are very nice.

Love to Mrs. Jackson and the children.

Your sister in Christ,

A. R. McFarland.

P. S. As I have no ferns gathered, I will go and buy one of the pictures of the school from Mr. Davidson and send to the Sabbath school in Rochester. I think that will please the children.

A. R. McF.

Eaton, Colorado., August 12th, 1878.

Rev. Sheldon Jackson,
Denver,

Dear Sir:-

In reply to your favor of the 7th, when trains go that road we can ship to Fort Wingate, at 3 1/2 to 4¢. But have not very frequent opportunities, summer goods could be gotten from them. Freight to Albuquerque now 1 1/4 mile 1 1/2 to 2¢. Terms 15 to 25¢ probably.

Yours respectfully,

Browne & Manzanares.

Rosita, Colorado, August 13th 1878.

My dear Brother Jackson:-

Am I not to be commissioned this year for this field?

Three months of the present year have now gone by, and no commission yet. Dr. Dickson wrote me for facts about three months ago. I sent the facts, but nothing comes in answer. We cannot live here apart from Home Mission Aid. The fact is, we have been living the past year from hand to mouth, even with aid. If therefore, this mission is not to be sustained we should have known before the year closed.

In Brother Dickson's note he intended that the Board concluded, or were about to conclude this field was not worth sustaining. Is it possible that the spirit of missions in our church is dying out? Then, woe to the church. Here are 2,000 souls in a large measure depending upon our church for the gospel. Shall we abandon the work? If we do it will be ignominious defeat, not holding the fort. So far as I am able to judge this is just as true- good a field as any there is in Colorado.

Last year we did church work to the amount of \$500.00. Many souls were watered and fed. Some were regenerated. Many children were taught in the way of life. This year we hope to build a church at Rosita, by God's blessing we will do it.

Please write to New York present the case and as soon as possible give us light. It is no pleasant thing to be laboring in the dark in doubt.

In the letter you answered, I did not mean to carry the impression that I wanted you as an individual to give one hundred dollars for building a church at Rosita. I thought perhaps you knew some place where you could get it for us. If you gave \$200.00 to Longmont, you did what I did (out of your own funds) you did wrong. I did wrong in giving \$50.00. I gave more than any one there. They have the good. I none. Well what is the ministry but a sacrifice for others? We hope you-keep-for treasures in the skies.

Fraternally,

W. P. Teitsworth.

Rosita, Colorado.

August 13th, 1878.

Central City, Colorado, August 13th, 1878

Dear Brother Jackson:-

Received yours of the 10th last evening. I will try to be with you at Trail Run on Saturday and Sabbath. The best way to go is by rail-road. to the mouth of the creek. The

train will stop to let one off. From that point to the main is about 2-1/2 miles. We can walk that. I will write them about it, and perhaps some one may meet us with a carriage. Although it is doubtful if such a thing can be done. You take the 7 o'clock train from Denver, and I will take the 8:20 train from Central. Will meet at the junction beach. The mouth of Trail Creek about 11 o'clock. We will be in good order for dinner by the time we reach the mining camp. I will write today to Mr. Price. He will probably receive my letter tomorrow. Time enough. I believe this is all I need say upon this matter.

If you see any miniserial loafers about Denver who are pained in their conscienceness by reason of their idleness and who may be looking for an opportunity to dispense a free gospel you may send one of them to Central to preach for me. You must make him clearly understand however that we are too poor in purse, and too generous in spirit to deprive him the luxury of preaching a free gospel. If he is a free-gratis-for-nothing-without-any-pay preacher send him along.

I have done considerable of such preaching. I do not however find very many who regard such labors a pleasurable pastime.

Will discuss Trinidad when I see you.

Yours truly,

J. W. Johnson.

Anton Chico, San Miguel Co., New Mex.
August 13th, 1878.

Rev. Dortor Jackson:-

Dear Sir:-

We have anchored again. I left Mrs. E. at Vegas, while I took Miss Sue Gates to Agua Negra and from there I visited Cimarron in company with Brother Gallegas.

A reaction in the currant caused my bark to drift back about 110 miles. When I came through here, the people who are interested in improvement wished me to stop. I thought little about it, but after we were gone there were some steps taken to call me back. There is great need of a school here, and they want two schools, one for boy's and one for girl's. There is no physician here, and they wish me to act as such.

Anton Chico is about 30 miles from here Las Vegas,

on the Pecos River, South East from Vegas.

We reached here an hour ago. They were still fighting in Lincoln Co. It is not my fight I shall inform Dr. K. If I had been persecuted for righteousness sake I would have stood up to the torture. Will write him today. Find enclosed his letter. Have promise of twelve or thirteen schools and all promise to pay.

I have written a short scribble for the Rocky Mountain-if you think it worthy of insertion. But should it not be leave it out. Hope to be in S. at Presbtyery 29th. I would say this in regard to Cimarron There is no minister there of any denomination. They seem indifferent as to going to preaching- although I did not preach to them. I was told only about four went to hear Mr. Harwood of La Junta, when there met a member of a Cingregational Church, one of the Presbyterian Church, one of Methodist Church.

There is not a minister in the country, eighteen miles from C. Is Elizabeth town a mining town, of how many people did not learn. The station for the rail-road will be about 20miles East of Cimarron. That will be the nearest station to the town. I was in Lincoln when McSween was killed. Left next day at four P. M. Saw more than I ever thought could be tolerated in the U. S. or Territories. That poor man was assassinated most barberously. Perhaps you will be very anxious to know what I saw. I will briefly state them to you.

July 14th, Mr. McSween and about 40 men came in to the town of Lincoln. There was not a shot fired. I nor my family did not know that they had entered. It was just as the moon rose after dark. Part of the Sherriffs posse were out of town. They were sent for next day, and reached town about sun-set. ~~the next day~~ Came in riding at full speed and hollowing and before getting off their horses began firing at Mc Sweens house. About 100 shots fired. And for five days firing was kept up in the town. July 19th, Lieutenant Dudley and Command entered town about noon. Camped near center of town. All McSweens side withdrew except himself and ten men who remained with him in his own house. About two hours after the troops came in, Mrs. Shields house, which adjoined McSweens was fired, while she (Mrs. S) & family were removing property -her little girl stepping in ^{the} oil which was poured on the floor. About the same time, or shortly after, McSween house was fired by means of coal oil. The Sheriffs posse were stationed around the house and kept firing all the time.

Any attempt to escape would have been death. The eleven men inside were almost burnt alive when about dark they attempted to escape from the east room yet remaining unconsumed by the flames-were shot! Not all. Some I believe got off- but the Noble McSween was killed. Our house was between the firing and we were not offered protection until about dusk. Miss Gates went at the risk of her life and asked an escort of soldiers. The Col. immediately sent an escort.

T. F. Ealy.

Trinidad, Colorado., August 14th, 1873.

My dear Brother Jackson:-

I hasten to reply to your note of the 10th inst. Thanks for the Photos. We shall always prize your friendly regard very highly.

My wife has been ill (confined) and it will be some weeks before she will be able to write another list. It is a long one, and I am barely able to do anything at all so I think the quickest way would be to get the List we sent Dr. W. Dr. L. has an organ. Crane will give 2500 feet of boards, I don't remember anything else out there worth scanning.

I have a tent and a gun. I intended to give Williams if he wanted them. I am so grieved and disappointed that he backs out, it does seem to bad. If I just had a body, I never thought I amounted to much. But the little is in the Lord's hands, and I had rather be weak and willing than strong and not courageous.

Thanks for the effort to be made at Santa Fe, for my expences, have been greatly blessed here, and friends will lend to me if I need, so I will not have to avail myself of your kind offer.

Don't imagine that we fail to realize that you have been always and uniformly kind.

Stage daily to Santa Fe (i.e. B. B). Enclosed such photos as we have. With kind regards from all of us,

Yours fraternally,
Henry K. Palmer.

Trinidad, Colorado., August 14th, 1873.

Dr. Jackson,

Dear Brother:-

Your favor of the 7th, and 10th have both been received.

I am also sorry that we were not entirely satisfied with this place. But it seemed impossible under the circumstances to have been willing and anxious to know the will of Providence in the matter. And we wan't to do just his will. And so we have prayerfully waited for him to make it plain. And I had begun to feel that it was quite clear for us to work hear for a time. But when your letter came with the word that there might be a field for us at Central City I did not know but I had again been a little too fast in coming to a conclusion to remain here. I am perfectly willing to reconsider the question in the light that six weeks more may throw upon it. Then if an arrangement for exchange be entirely satisfactory to the churches can be made, I may see it to be best. When you see the Brother at Central City you may talk the matter over with him. And then as you come this way we can also talk it over together. I understand you are to pass through Trinidad soon,. I shall hope to see you. We are in better quarters now, but it is only a temporary arrangement. We cannot very well have our goods sent here until the A. F. and S. F. R. R. is finished to this point, that will probably be six weeks or more. I know very little about Central City, except its location and altitude. I know here it is pretty high. It may be sheltered so as not to be too cold. I know nothing of the church, all these things and many more we can inquire of you when you stop and see us. I want very much to stay in this state, if only my wife can have hope of better health. I like the mountain scenery, and the mountain^{air} so much.

Well I will not trouble you to read any more. We have a session in working order and Communion appointed for the Sabbath in September. Come and see us as you are going through.

Your Brother in Christ,
R. Dodd.

Animas City, Colorado., August 14, 78.

Dr. Jackson,

Dear Brother:-

Your kind letter just at hand. I will now sacrifice this last postage stamp or vestage of money to answer so cheery a note. I do not know how to account for so long a delay of money from New York. It will soon bring me into great embarrassment - yet I am hoping all will come out right.

Yet I was not writing as to this particularly. Am looking for it every day, and if it comes soon I will yet get out of my troubles honorably.

Why I now write ^{is} to speak of how things stand here. The letters of those desiring to unite are coming in the one by one. We are now on a footing to get up a subscription, but the town is very dull at present. The leading men are away, and people are yet hesitating about the permanency of the town. Mr. Cooper who promised \$100 worth of lumber went back on us, also a man promising \$50.00. These things are keeping back the subscription necessary before we present the petition for Persbytery. The matter stands thus, however, if we do not get a building inclosed this fall, another denomination, the M. E. threatens to divide the field before long. Our lease will slip from us. We will have no place of worship this winter and dancing will be the chief business.

Our great drawback with us here is the want of a proper public spirit and unity among the business men and an open unnumbered amount of ^{self} interest in the town dignateries and fathers. I have been over to Parrot and Mancos? The agency Las Pinos to preach once a month on the Floravista, and am encouraged there. Preach here every Sabbath also once in two weeks up the Valley. Have not been much encouraged up the Valley till last Sabbath. Have splendid Sunday School. Will leave up the Valley if I get no church building this fall. My note comes due for house soon, am also otherwise in debt about \$60.00. Many thanks for paper. Remember me to all of your family and all friends of yours in the Lord.

In haste,

W. C. Beebe.

Philadelphia, Penn. August 15th, 1878.

Dear Brother:-

I deeply appreciate the interest which you have shown in my proposed service for the Master. It will take me until next spring to settle up my affairs, at which time I will gladly avail myself of your kind offer in regard to car-fare.

In the meantime I am studying medicine, so that my usefulness may be more extended. I trust and believe that the Lord is guiding me in this matter, yet I need your prayers that I may lean on him and not trust to my own understanding. You will find \$1.00 enclosed for the Rocky Mountain Presbyterian.

Your Brother in Christ, W. H. R. Corlies.

Leadville, Colorado., August 15th, 73.

Dear Doctor:-

I returned yesterday from the lower valley and found the church plans from the post-office. I showed them to Mr. Wood, and he was much interested and kept them to show when he tried to get a subscription last night. We have made a very good start. Mr. Stevens has promised to give us a good large lot, location not yet definitely settled, and \$100.00.

Mess. Harrison and Meyer have each promised \$100.00. The large subscription having been obtained I will go to work on the smaller. Hoping to have the required sum in a short time, I hope Mr. Darley will be able to come over here and get to work early in September. My last trip has made me feel more and more the great size of my field. Two days seems a long time in the week to spend ^{simply} in travel. Now if they will simply take to having alternate services here, I cannot tell, but they do not seem to like the prospect, thinking that it will surely try the church.

Father Hamilton says that you spoke to him about his supplying the pulpit when I was away. What arrangements have been made in regard to that? Not having heard from you he seemed unsettled here last night awaiting the arrival of his son-in-law to decide whether or not to stay here.

The field below seems to be drawing in importance. Carbinates have been struck over the range at Alpine and there is a mining camp on the south Arkansas, but how I can attend to them and Leadville and vicinity too I cannot see. A man would need \$800.00 a year up here no doubt. But below with the help of the people there he could get along with less. If it can be done possible it seems to me that the field should be divided this fall for one man is surely needed all the time here, so Father Hamilton think, that it seems to me best to send you their views.

Wishing you success in the New Mexican work,
Harry L. Janeway.

Anton Chico, St. Miguel Co.,

New Mexico., August 13, 78.

Rev. Sheldon Jackson D. D.

Dear Sir:-

As my husband is very sick he wishes me to answer your letter. As your letter reached us while at Los Vegas before coming to this point, we might have gone, since we know we would have a house, but we have been drifting hither and thither without comfortable quarters, exposed to hardships and danger. We were completely disheartened without money. We spent all our first quarter coming out, and have received nothing since, here we came Tuesday of this week, by the earnest request of a number of the citizens. Have rented a house for six months and are making preparations to open school the first of September. The people here are very ignorant and bigoted, but seem to want Mr. Ealy to stay among them. His knowledge of medicine gives him more influence over the Mexicans than you can imagine. Miss Gates has gone to Agua-Negro expecting to open school there the first of September.

If we were on the ground, I would like nothing better than to instruct those Indians, but neither Mr. Ealy or myself are strong enough at present to undertake such a trip especially with too small children. If Mr. Ealy is able will meet you at Presbytery, am so sorry we had to leave Lincoln, and would like to go back there if peace was only proclaimed, will try and get some of our most promising pupils there to come here if possible.

There are between 300 and 400 people here, and as the people, themselves, have expressed a desire for us to start a school, we have promised to remain six months, it would not be honorable to leave now. But if the Board at the end of that time, still wish us to go to Zuni, every thing else being favorable we will try and go, provided our work here can be dropped and filled by others. Perhaps Mr. Ealy may write to you next week, says to tell you he acted on Mr. Kendall's suggestion viz, "If he is a skillfull mariner he will find a harbor sail in their report .

Very respectfully,

Mrs. T. F. Ealy.

Scheneectady, New York, August 17, 78.

Rev. Sheldon Jackson D. D.

Sir:-

I have received your letter of the 10th inst, and

this will inform you, I have complied with your request.

I will send you a draft on the Mercantile National Bank of this city of New York for One Hundred Dollars (\$100.00) Monday the 19th or Tuesday the 20th. You may be on the look-out for it.

Respectfully,

Mrs. P. Freeman.

Navajo Agency, Arizona., August 17, 78.

Rev. Sheldon Jackson,
Denver, Colorado.,

Dear Sir:-

I am in receipt of a letter dated July 30th from the Hon. Commissioners granting authority to remove this Agency to some more desirable locality, and as soon as Inspector Watkins gets around we will make a tour of the reservation, with reference to selecting such a site as will in all probability insure the attendance of Navajo children at the Agency school. The erection of school houses has also been authorized but I fear that little can be done this year beyond the selection of location and possible the setting up of the Saw-mill.

I will keep you advised as to the progress that is being made and will adopt such plans for school buildings as will insure comfort to teachers and matrons.

The Secretary of the Interior will allow but \$5.00 per year for pay of matrons which is absurd unless with the understanding that additional aid be given by one or the other of the Boards of the Church. Nothing can be accomplished with transient scholars. They must be taken into the school and cared for in every particular. Now that the cooperation of the Department has been secured what will the Domestic Board do to forward the good work?

We have just gotten through with the annual issue and I am sick and worn out.

Address Mr. W. R. Matier at this place.

Very respectfully,

John C. Pyle.

Lake City, Colorado., August 19/78.

Dear Brother:-

Yours of the 1st received August 17th, I see by the envelope that it was directed to Lake City, Utah and stamped

and mailed to me- this will account for the delay.

I am pleased to know that you remember us in your prayers. I trust that the \$100.00 will be made up in some way.

As to my going to Leadville to build a church this fall- it will be an utter impossibility from the fact that I am completely worked down. I have been sick for over a month, hardly able to attend to my duties, yet I have preached twice each Sabbath because I am the only minister in the place.

Do you think it would be wise to desert a Camp as large as Lake City for so long a time? It would break up my church. I am commissioned to preach at Lake City, and the few members that I have are doing their best to raise that was promised me on this field, others are coming in, and everything is looking more encouraging, and the few who have remained through all the ups and downs of the church say that if I leave this fall just as things are beginning to look bright- it will discourage them. Nor is it to be wondered at- because they have fought hard, and while there has not been a great deal of money, raised for my salary, there has been a great deal of money raised for the church. When the church was dedicated we all supposed we were out of debt- but we still had considerable money to raise, and since then we have built a bell-tower costing \$100.00 and have managed to pay all expenses connected with the church. (Paid all the first of August)

As you well know there has been a strong effort made by other denominations to get a hold in Lake City- but so far I have always held the congregation- members of the different churches have said, "if they could get rid of me they would send for a minister, and when I closed the church for two Sabbaths they told me to my face, that they wished me no harm, only if I would leave, it would give them a chance to do something.

I do not say this to blow my own horn- but simply to let you know the facts about my field.

Dear Brother, I fully coincide with you in your views about laying foundations and I believe that no church organization can prosper without a church building- yet at the same time it will be impossible for me to travel about the state building churches and have a charge at the same time. I am surprised that the men who see the need of churches on their own fields do not go to work and build churches.

Kind regards to all the family. Mrs. Darley sends regards.
Yours in the one hope,

George M. Darley

Washington, D. C. August 19/78.

Dear Brother Jackson:-

Yours received. I was waiting the coming of Mr. Barlow to get the passes. But I inclose letters to Mr. Sanderson (who is probably in Alamosa or near) or the Superintendent of line, since I cannot delay to write Mr. Barlow who is at his home in Vermont.

I inclose also a letter to Col. Price or his Superintendent for route from Santa Fe to El Paso- Col. Price lives at Jefferson City, Mo., but is not now there I think.

I hope these letters will serve your purpose. This is the best I can do in the necessary haste.

Wishing you much success, I am as ever,

Sincerely your Brother,

J. L. French.

P. S. We are quite well.

Montana, August 19/78.

Dear Brother Jackson:-

I was very much pleased to hear from you. I regret exceedingly that you are not able to be with us this week. I know that in our trip to the Park, we would enjoy your company. However we must expect disappointments.

Now I want you to say to your good wife-when you return from New Mexico- that you will go to Montana, and spend not less than three months among the Bretheren.

Do you know that is just what we want? Don't think of "doing" Montana in a hurry. You have not been here in a long time and therefore we shall claim and expect a long visit. Now I will frankly tell you why. You see Rev. Bishop Little of the Episcopalian Church comes around each year and spends about three months and makes a thorough job of it. Consequently, he is very popular among the people.

Now you see- I don't want any Episcopalian man to get the best of you in this respect.

Now let us know when you are coming into the Territory- and which way you will travel. Either come by way of Virginia City-then this way and around to Helena- Deer Lodge-

Missoula and out again- or the reverse. Or go just in the opposite way. I propose that you have company all the way- that Brother Russell go through his valley with you- that Brother Cook go through the Bitter-Root country with you, that Brother Hewitt be with you in Helena-and through the Prickly Pear valley- that Brother Crittendon meet you at Gallatin City- that I go with you to the Yellowstone valley to Chico-then to Pony and Virginia City. So if you spend from two to three weeks with each of us, we can make a most thorough sweep of the whole country.

This is the plan that I shall advocate before Presbytery- unless some of the Bretheren have a better one. I expect the Bretherenⁱⁿ about three days.

Bring a Thanksgiving Sermon with you-and come prepared to eat your Thanksgiving Turkey in Montana. As you know November and December are better months for gettig about than October. I hope that by the time you reach Bozeman- you will find me in the first parsonage built in Montana. I will explain when we met.

Written in haste,

Most sincerely yours,

Charles L. Richards.

Animas City, Colorado., August 20/78.

Dr. Jackson,

Dear Brother:-

I am happy to respond to your letter from Leadville saying, that I planned the time to have come for to strike for a church building on the last Sabbath. Yesterday in a very short time, Mr. Ray-trustee and myself received a subscription of \$417 which we intended to and feel confident already having the promise of it-that we shall swell to \$600.00 before the week is out. This with our lots we consider to be a valuation of \$1.000 and this a very low estimate on our lots.

Now I have sent a petition to Presbytery directing it to Mr. Bliss as you suggested and accompanying it with a full argument in favor of prompt and liberal action by the Presbytery-for aid from the Board to the amount of

I made request to be notified of its having passed as soon as possible as that we could go to work at once.

I wrote to George Darley twice requesting an exchange, so that I could preach for him while he came down and bossed the job. He excused himself on account of debt, but i cannot

see the point. I am also in debt- It won't cost him anything more to step into my boarding shoes and earn money besides than to stay at home. I will supply his pulpit free of charge except board. My board will off set his and more too. The fact of it is if he don't come down I don't know how we can get it through. The carpenters here will do much, but refuse to boss the job-except at exhorbetant rates.

Can not the Presbytery help me a little just here?

Push the matter or we lose our hold here-we can do nothing without a church here this winter. I will go up the valley and board if no church is built.

The people are enthusiastic about it.

They are in a proper pitch now-The town will be very full this winter, it is growing. See Dr. B. letter, write at once after the passage of the petition.

Yours in Christ,

W. C. Beebe.

P. S. Mr. Edwin Ray is treasurer of Board of trustees. There is a Money Order office here.

Oakland, Colorado., August 20/78.

Rev. Sheldon Jackson D. D.

Dear Brother:-

Yours is at hand. I have not seen what action was taken in regard to write you as you say. I would have been quite satisfied to let you have the care of it, and I trust you will still give it a share of your attention, at least till a Presbytery is formed. You really understand the work and should continue in charge of it. However we can work it together. You are nearer the source of supplies than I am. Please then, continue your efforts to find men for the field.

Tucson and Florence are now supplied. Get two more into the Territory and they could have a Presbytery.

I am a good deal discouraged with some portions of our work. Ministers are so unsettled. Changes are so frequent. I find it very difficult to procure competent men.

Now our churches are hard to manage, and slow to become selfsustaining. So much debt,

The gospel seems to have little power. The missionary spirit seems departing.

Do you notice these things? Perhaps I am growing old and work too much on the dark side.

Yours most truly,

Thomas Fraser.

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(postal)

Ogden, Utah., August 20/78.

Rev. Sheldon Jackson D. D.

Dear Brother:-

I have at last received papers and catechisms from Mr. Irwin. They came when we needed them greatly, and did us much good.

We have twenty signers for church organization, seventeen Presbyterians. Our hall rent troubles us yet. We hope for relief soon.

Yours,

George W. Gallagher.

Shelbyville, Ill ., August 21/78.

Rev. Sheldon Jackson D.D.

Brother Jackson:-

I am in receipt of a Postal Card from Dr. Kendall, in which he informs me , the Board forwarded you a letter of mine-addressed to Kendall, for your action in the premises.

When you visit the Black Hills, which I hope will be soon go to Lead City, just above Deadwood, and inquire for Henry Hill, a lawyer. His wife is my sister. She visited me while at La Crescent, but I do not now recall whether you met her or not, but tell her of your acquaintance with my family and Hill will do all he can to help you.

Regards to the Jacksons.

Yours etc,

B. Mills.

Shelbyville, Ill August 13/78.

Rev. H. Kendall.,

Cor. Sec. R. H. M.

23 Centre St, New York.

Dear Sir:-

I am in receipt of a letter from Hon. Henry Hill of Lead City-Black Hills, Dakota, asking if I can induce the Board to send a missionary to the Black Hills. Lead City is five miles from Deadwood and is the seat of twelve (12) stamp mills, engaged in the quartz mining. Its population is 3,000. One Missionary might for the present occupy both Deadwood and Leadwood City, and the two places would give him a population from 10,000 to 12,000 and to operate on the Hill has already gathered a Sabbath School, but says so far as preaching is concerned, they had none; but Romish Priests, and an occasional

Methodist. Last year a feeble attempt was made at Deadwood by the Congregationalists- but it never amounted to anything.

Mr. Hill is himself a Congregationalist and a lawyer by profession, having first visited the Hills for his health, but becoming the owner of a large mining claim has made the mills his permanent residence.

The reason I suppose he writes to me to sollicite the aid of our Board is the fact that he is my brother-in-law, and as his own people fail in their church enterprise he calls on his Presbyterian kin, all of which is respectfully submitted to your Board.

Respectfully,
R. Mills.

Pittsburg, August 21/78.

Rev. Sheldon Jackson,
Denver, Colorado,

Inclosed please find New York draft of \$57.00, being amount of unappropriated money in the treasury of the Woman's Missionary Society of Lawrenceville Presbyterian Church, and now remitted to you for use in "Zuni Building".

This may be followered soon by a donation from our Sabbath School at least. I intend using my influence in your favor, and if so will I address you "Santa Fe?"

It is very gratifying to me to think that I have, or may be, instrumental in bringing answers to your prayers, "God moves in a mysterious way" etc.

With sympathy and good wishes, I remain,
Your Brother,
Robert Davis.

Robert Davis - - - - - Member of Session. Lawrenceville,
" " - - - - - Supt. of S. School. ville,
Mrs. A. M. Davis - - - - - Pres. of Woman's Miss. Soc'y. Pres. Ch.

Laramie, Wyo. August 21/78.

Dear Brother Smith:-

I received your very kind letter last night and noted its contents. While Mr. Green is not returned Mr. Cofman and wife are. When I sent word first to Green I suppose ed the Methodists were disposed to yield the field, and it was that view of the case that led me to make the offer I did.

Besides I was desirous of seeing the experiment tried of making our Protestant church answer for a community-the size of Rawlins. I believe by the grace of God it can be done, and perhaps the Lord has sent Brother C. to make the trial. In that case perhaps the Presbyterians had better abandon the field and sell the property to the Methodists. When this is done the amount given by the community is never expected, only that paid by the Board of Church Erection, which in the case of Rawlins was \$500.00.

With kind regards to your family and all our friends,
I remain yours in the cause of the Master,

W. E. Hamilton.

Fort Wingate, New Mexico., August 21/78.

Dear Doctor:-

Yours of August 14th instant just received. You had not evidently received my letter of the 12th. inst. Am glad to know that you have sent forward some material for a house. I regret to learn that Dr. Williams has abandoned the idea of coming to Zuni as he seemed to be highly recommended by the people at the East. I hope that you will find some person to come at once. The coming man whoever he may be, should be on the ground just as soon as the material reaches Zuni. Some responsible person should be there at the instant to look after the doors and windows. I do not consider anything like doors and windows and boards etc, safe in the hands of those Indians. They have use for just such articles themselves, and will find some way to carry them off for their private use anything they can lay hands on. It will not be wise to leave anything where they can get it without an honest white man to guard it. If a permanent teacher is available it would be the best for him to come on with the doors and windows etc and such ^{other} articles of household stuff including provisions, as he may need for some months.

Relative to Mr. Crane. I may say for him as he has told me, that he is building a new house for himself this summer, and cannot afford the time, the wagons nor the horses to haul the lumber to Zuni. Besides he has just put in a bid for supplying this post with hay which will keep him and all his teams constantly occupied. Is it not doing very well for him, that he is giving the lumber?

The Zuni Indians have wagons with ox teams that

can be hired to haul the lumber, and it seems to me that they better be engaged to do it. Remember there is a heavy mountain to cross, and the roads, during and since this rainy season are very heavy.

Ox or horse teams can be obtained at the Mormon settlement if the Zuni indians cannot leave their work.

I cannot see how you will be able to get from here to Zuni; and cannot see what good you can do by coming up here. Should you go to Zuni on or about the 5th proximately, as you propose, what good could you do there until the teams arrived with the "doors and windows" and a carpenter, or some sort of a workman comes to lay out the work for the house?

It really seems ^{to me} the best way for the man who drives the teams that hauls the "doors and windows" to be one who can also turn to and build the house, or he should have a carpenter with him. I have advised you in my last letter not to come yourself, but send some man who has the requisite physical strength and skill, to lay stine, adobes, cut and hew timber-in a word build a house. Remember too, that a well must be dug. Indian labor can be depended on, but it must be paid for either in money, tobacco, or provisions.

If you decide to visit Zuni in person, it would be less expensive to go there with the team that conveys the "doors and windows". You would see Menaul at Laguna, and and could proceed direct by ~~the~~ an easy road to Zuni. But as I said in my former letter, the permanent teacher and the workman are the parties to send in advance to do the preliminary work of putting up the house, and make all ready for the family to come, when every thing is made ready for their comfort.

As this may not reach you before you leave Denver, I will send it to Dr. Thomas, case he will hand it to you while at Santa Fe. I remain,

Yours very truly,

J. V. Lauderdale.

Rawlins, Wyoming., August 22/78.

Dear Brother Hamilton.,

Your letter of yesterday to hand and I have shown it around to our people and the universal feeling is that of regret. When I wrote you on Monday, I did not know that any one had been assigned by the Methodist to take Rev. Green's

place, if I had should have written just the same kind of a letter. Green was to see us before leaving but he did not mention that any one was to take his place. Mr. Kaufman may be more adapted to the work here and give better satisfaction than Green, but there is that feeling against the Methodists that doubt if he can overcome it. Green ~~did~~ never tried to unite the different demoninations as you speak of, they virtually did it themselves but were not hepled by him, but worked to build up an M. E. Church and yet if the people of all sects had not united to help him his own people could not and did not contribute \$50.00 in the entire year for his support. Your theory of unity is practical here, and would work with almost any kind of a prudent man to manage it, but I doubt if the Methodists can do it. Mr. Green did not make a single convert while here or add a member to the church and was the cause of much contention and bad feeling among the women and the people here appreciated the fact that they have been duped, imposed on, and deceived by two M. E. Ministers and they will be very slow to do anything more for any one who comes here against their wishes, and is not of their own choosing. The general desire was for a Presbyterian and they would have done generously for one (considering their ability) and your suggestion of selling the church to the M. E. will not be listened to for an instant. If Mr. C. and wife go to work with a will and act prudently they may unite the sects but they can not get much support as Methodists. Another thing we feel that we much have a select school or private teacher for, say, ten scholars and if Mr. C. or his wife will fill this bill there will be some hopes for him, otherwise he will have a hard road, as we will then look for a teacher from some other source and he will loose that much of his bread and butter. If you have given up coming we will not give up but wait till the other man builds up or "starves out" and then move again. If a Presbyterian had come here (and especially you) no other man could have gotten \$5.00 a month in the town. I don't understand why the Presbyterians ^{should} have so little "back bone" and leave us this way, shoved out by pure "cheek" and against the will of the people.

I am free to say that I feel discouraged. I may be wrong but I think that the Presbyterians ought to come here under the circumstances and while your not coming is to be a disappointment to all I can't blame you. As I told you when

in that it seemed wrong to ask you to leave so fine a congregation to come here. Yet we think there are many who would be glad to come and who would satisfy us as the next best after yourself. However I suppose we must give this man a chance. When we thought we had you, we notified Rev. Mr. Jackson to that effect, and he left us there- ought we to go back to him now or wait till we see what this man is made of?

Very truly,
G. C. Smith.

Alamosa, Colorado., August 23/78.

My Dear Brother Jackson:-

As you know my church here was dedicated July the 28th I failed to by \$320.00- but fetched it as far as subscriptions went by noon of the 28th. We found cost to be about \$1480 lots worth \$225.00 a total of \$1705. The cheapest church of finish I believe ever built in Colorado, built tastefully, appropriately, and finished completely, with a room for me to live in, and a stable for the horse and buckboard on the back of the lot. I promised to pay 30days after dedication. I am here now to stay to the end of the 28th- the completion of this 30days, so²⁸ far as in me lies to keep faith with those who have trusted us- and collect if possible all due, and then send promptly for the aid promised from the Board. It is evident that all cannot be collected in that time. Yet I must send for what the Board will give us.

We asked first before the church was finished, even desiring to ask as little as possible, \$425.00. We heard nothing of this petition. When the church was dedicated we found the cost greater than we anticipated by \$780.00, so we asked, not hearing of the other petition for \$490.00 which we actually need if not more. This petition arrived in New York one day after the Board met, and gave us by note the \$425.00. And Dr. Wilson writes he can promise us no more etc, etc.

I dedicated on a basis of getting \$425.00 but because I had \$700.00 to raise that day- I dare not make any 10 or 15% margin for the customary loss-one sum here. So to get barely \$425.00 leaves us behind hand. Now I never leave a stone unturned for money on any enterprise- most of all on a church erection- and my eight days and of magnificent work and getting \$700.00 proves it. I went to where-

houses, dance halls, saloons, Chectaws, Mexicans, negros, China-men and children- I tried every person, though often faint and sick rising from prayer in weakness to win another dollar.

I've done financially good work, before, but this taking into account the newness of the tower, my slight acquaintance with the people every one of whom had stretched ~~then-to~~ their utmost to move from Garland here and the rapidity of the work, is my best job. It was all like the origin of it-"with a rush" as "Calvin" said.

And though I've built four churches since '72, yet it's the first subscription I've ever collected after dedication- heretofore I quit on dedication day, I stand almost alone in this matter- and I'm the largest giver:-\$75.00. I've got \$ _____ for service rendered here in four months!! and the Home Board cuts me down \$100.00 after I cut down \$300.

But this is naught- what I want is the sum to get enough of money to close this business as I have promised on August 28th. I want to close it in one if several ways;?

1. To collect all possible by that time- and get on shortunder the balance whatever it may be from the Board of Church Erection.

2. If I come out short \$75.00 or \$100.00 I want that money furnished me, either 1. by loan till I can collect and what I fail to collect and return, let it become a gift for \$25.00 or \$50.00 might be collected in 90 days which could not be now, or 2. I want whatever is the difference between the Board can give- and I can raise on present subscription, for remember I neither can or will ask a single new subscriber on it, for I've an organ to pay for October 9th- and must before winter get a side-walk costing \$100.00 or have no audiences. I want that difference some way paid me immediately, or pledged within 60 days, say- so I can borrow it here, and _____ finally on next Thursday write the Board "all collected and paid out"- as their certificate demands, and then be able to say ,we have kept faith; though you may be sure I'll dun every one who has subscribed "till the last hope expires!" I used to collect money for a living as well as having been in the Life Insurance business and don't let a debtor off easy.

You know how we are placed- zealously watched by other demominations- Baptists thick in the country and more neumerous here in Alamosa that I am accustomed to, and I've already been both, newspaperly and personally attacked and

assaulted by the Mormon Priest.

So I feel I want this done for me. It is the last church I'll ever build without special guarantees from the Board of Church Erection or elsewhere. I'll turn to you then, with this request #Will you promise to secure us either temporarily or permanently- and part or all permanently if necessary for the closing up of this matter about \$100.00 Either send it by return mail, if you have it, or can borrow it better than I, as I've no doubt you can - till you can raise it. And I will pledge myself to do all I can to raise every possible dollar on the present subscription, but not a cent more. The church may be sold first by the Sheriff.

You called me to do a quick and big thing here, and by God's grace I've done it, but I'm ill, worn out, I'll have to borrow or beg \$50.00 of my own subscription. I am distressingly poor. Help me! Do it quick, and write ditto if you are not at home- write me hear by return mail.

Yours,

A. M. Darley

(Postal) Animas City, Colorado., August 27/.78.

Mr. Jackson,

Dear Brother:-

We are now ready to proceed in our building-have raised the six hundred- will at once get a plan and order a bill of lumber-you expect to come down this fall, can you write and tell me when? We would like to receive the services of some one for the dedication which we hope shall be the last of September.

Got a likd letter from George Darley-contained some substantial encouragement from a "friend"- Have not heard from New York since I came here. Do not know anything about it.

Hope for the best. It is only a month till my second quarterly report- Your short notes do me good. All well.

W. C. Beebe.

Leadville Colorado., August 27/78.

Dear Doctor:-

I received your note yesterday, and shall adopt your suggestion about going to the South Arkansas only once a month. Father Hamilton goes next Thursday so as to admin-

ister the communion on Sunday September 1st.

The subscription work goes on slowly- We have at present about \$500.00 and a lot subscribed. These are mostly from large subscriptions. A number of the business men refuse out right to subscribe, and others delay the matter which makes it rather tedious.

The town has been begged to death, as some one said when you were here. Some of the business men say that they are going to shut right down on all subscriptions, while others hold off to see what will come next lest they give us too much. I have received a number of promises of help and hope we can make the required amount.

I am very sorry Mr. Darley cannot come, but we will try to struggle along without him.

With regard to the \$100.00, Frank wrote me that he would devote it to the Leadville Church, but I have just sent him word as to what you expected to do with it and he will let me know about the disposal shortly.

I have not been able to secure the Methodist Church permanently for regular services, but Mr. Uzzell promised to let me use it as often as possible.

I will be glad when we get our own church up, I'm sure.

I wrote to Mr. Gage, and received a very kind reply. He suggests that we put a belfry on instead of a steeple, a suggestion which we shall adopt.

I wrote for the Church Erection Application last week.

Harry L. Janeway.

Evanston, Wyoming, August 27-78.

Dear Brother Jackson:-

I have just written Brother McNiece that I shall not probably be at our next meeting of Presbytery on the 6th of September.

Counys coming home has cost me so much, that I do not possible see how I can spare the money, then I have to get him clothes, etc.

Do you expect to be present? I hope you will. Since I entered the ministry this will be the first time I have ever been absent from my Presbytery.

I have always found these meetings a great bless-

ing. I think I have never gone from one that without an earnest wish and prayer, that I might be a more earnest preacher and a more faithful pastor, but I do not see how I can possible go this fall.

Dear Brother, I believe that I told you I had a very poor box of clothing last year, and the year before none at all. If you can get a good box this year I will be so thankful.

Please remember me kindly to Mrs. Jackson.

All join in kind regards,

Yours in Christ,

F. L. Arnold.

Fort Wingate, New Mexico., August 28/78

Dear Doctor:-

I received yours of August 19th, in which you review the course you have taken in the management of the Zuni, and other important station, in the territory.

I am pleased that you are able to make such an able defence against the accusations of those who have criticised too freely your management. I was not aware that you had ever replied to the reports contained in the St. Louis paper, and I have taken pains to show this slip to the party who pointed out to me the original report: and shall endeavor to disabuse the minds of all who may have seen it, of what you did say on that occasion.

I am glad that you went over all the points contained in my letter so fully. Now I shall be able to meet all criticisms that have been made, by others, or have suggested themselves to me when reviewing the progress of the work among the missions connected with the Presbyterian church in these parts.

I return the slip to you at Santa Fe as requested, and hope you will call upon the editors of any or all of those papers who have made erroneous comments upon your remarks made at St. Louis and have them place you right before the public of this territory. It is a reasonable demand that you would make, and if they are gentlemen of honor, they will lend their types to correct their errors and misrepresentations.

I have just received my orders to go to New York City, but cannot say how soon I shall break up and go, as I know of no one ordered to relieve me.

Believe me, Yours very truly,

J. V. Ladderdale.

(Postal) Wilkesville, Ohio., August 29/78.

Rev. Sheldon Jackson:-

We cannot collect the money till the 1st. of next month, and it will be sent as soon as possible.

We are very sorry, but it can't well be helped.

Attie Miller.

(Sec)

Salt Lake City, Utah, August 29/78.

Dear Dr. Jackson:-

How is it about the Brigham City business?

Dr. Kendall says he never authorized you to say that he would "see Gillespie through" if he bought that property.

Gillespie says he never would have thought of buying it if you had not told him you and Dr. Kendall would see him through.

On the strength of your promise he invested \$50.00 out of his own pocket which he could not spare, and borrowed \$250.00 more from Dr. Graham for which he gave his note for 2% a month.

Gillespie is therefore out of pocket \$300.00 and the interest, on the strength of your promise to see him through. He feels very sore over it. Besides he has expended over \$150.00 in putting in repairs.

Doctor, that is too bad. I can't defend you in the matter, unless you give me some new facts, How is it? Can you do nothing to set matters right with Gillespie? He thinks you have'nt kept your word.

When are you coming this way? The bugles are sounding for a grand advance of the Presbyterian line in Utah, our school full to overflowing. Presbytery at Fork next week, Friday. Let me hear from you. I had an idea you had a good explanation concerning Bringham City.

Yours with affection,
Robert G. McNiece.

Rawlins, Wyoming, August 31/78.

Rev. Sheldon Jackson, D. D.

Dear Sir:-

Your esteemed favor of the 27th instant is at hand, and contents persued with much interest and gratification. Our people (and myself and family) feel thankful to hear that

you still propose to help us out and send us a minister as desired. Those of us who appreciate the importance of the matter (especially to growing families) felt somewhat discouraged with the turn the matter had taken. (You will understand better when I explain). When I wrote you that Rev. H. was coming we thought it settled that way, as he had wrote his proposition and we at once accepted, ~~it~~ and many of our people who have but little sympathy with any church were ready to take part and help support him—partly because they know him and like him and partly because they did not like the M. E. and for other reasons given in my letter of the 22nd to him. I never like to say anything against a person and would prefer to say nothing about Rev. Green, but I felt that it was time to "say out" in order to do ourselves and could say more that I did— for Green has shown about every thing aside from a true christian spirit and none of that, so we are out of patience with M. E. Ministers. Then when the letter (the enclosed) came to hand we rather infered that you were speaking through him and felt disappointed— and that our situation was not understood.

We of course, are not in a position condition financially to act independant and must be content to take what we can get. (beggars cant be choosers) but there was no doubt that with us that a Presbyterian could do a good work here and that we had better right to appeal to them than to any other and that they—would our folks preferred that demonination and the church being here and that they were more able to help us.

When Rev. G. came back after Conference to close up his matters, before going "Ouray" Col., he only remained one day and left without mentioning the fact that Rev. Kaufman had been assigned here September 1st. Mr. K. came as far as Laramie, week before last but has not yet been here and whether he will get here ^{at} all is doubtful, to say the least. There are now four methosist members, one does not say much either way— or rather favored Green and two openly oppose a M. E. Minister coming.

Mr. Green wrote his one friend that he had been sent elsewhere and etc, but Rev. K. was sent to R. and asked (his friend— Mr. Cobb) to get Rev. K. a house last week. Rev. K. wrote Cobb that he would not come until a house was secured for him. The matter stands in that position now, and I can safely add, that if K. does not come till Cobb gets him

a house he will never come, because Cobb is worthless and irresponsible and "could'nt muster enough influence to secure a kick from a Queen Ann musket". (Excuse the expression, but I heard it made of him here and thought it worth repeating) as it tells the truth.

Yesterday I saw the majority of our folks and am inclined to think that nothing can be done to support Mr. K. if he does come, "enough is enough" they say, so you see we are still open and will do the best we can for the man we want- For my part, I feel that if we dont get a Presbyterian then if Mr. K. comes here, we ought to give him a fair trial. I believe there can some good come out of Nazareth and this is the third trial, and it ought to be good.

I have not yet heard from your man but suppose it not time yet. We will do as best we can until supplied-

Thanking you for your kindly interest, I am,

Yours very truly, and in haste

G. C. Smith.

Will keep you informed of the situation.

The Presbytery of Santa Fe, in session at Santa Fe, New Mexico., August 29th, 30th, and the 31st, 1878, respectfully overtures the General Assembly, asking that the Indian tribes whose reservations are within the bounds of this Presbytery, and which are now under the care of the Board of Foreign Missions, be transferred to the care of our Home Board.

George G. Smith,

Temp. Clerk of the Presbytery.
of Santa Fe.

Animas City, September 1878.

Dr. Jackson,

Dear Brother:-

I have just received a letter from New York containing a draft for \$50.00 and as I troubled you with a complaint it is meet for me to speak of this to you.

A short note in the letter from Dr. Kendall said, they would look into the matter of my traveling expenses, at the meeting of the Board on the 27th, of August.

You must excuse me if I never send you a correspondence suited to publish in your paper which we so gratefully receive. I do not know in the first place, that you expect it.

I do not feel qualified and even were I yet I have no time or suitable topics.

I received the book for Sessional records etc, the other day from Mr. Darley, and was much pleased.

We are waiting as patient as possible before we go further in building until we hear from our petition to the Presbytery. Have over \$500 raised. Will get out a bill of Lumber as soon as we hear from you and Dr. Bliss.

Will build a 25X45 steep roof building after desing No. 7. in 8th Annual Report Board Church Erecti^on.

Go down Lower Animas next ^{Monday} week and stay till Friday. Your letters do me good.

Yours in him,

W. C. Beebe.

Alamosa, Colorado., September 1/78.

My Dear Brother Jackson:-

Yours from Laguna met me here on my arrival yesterday. I am very sorry that mind failed to reach you at Denver, for the Board of Church Erecti^on has granted at last the \$490, the \$100.00 I asked for of you would have let us out all except \$10.00, and I could have sent all at this visit for the Board Money, and gotten this irritating subscription off my hands, and be free hearted and brave ^{to meet} the effort for the \$125. for the organ. It is sad that the thing I can do better than any one I know:- raise money for religious purposes, should sicken me so. It necessarily injures my ministerial pastoral and standing. It is too bad that our Gospel cannot produce a higher grade of helpers among the members of the church. Well might it be said-"We have a preacher so and so at such -- place, instead of a church organized! I am all in all as far as responsibility and work in any church of mine. The whole outfit would break up without me. I would to God the old Apostlic Eldership could be revived - and we not violate the plain teaching of God's word in making a distinction between ruling, and teaching, and elders. -a distinction of custom and not ^{of} revelation. And we neglect the wise "It is not meet that we serve tables". My only consolation is that record -"I have trodden the wine press alone, and of the people there was none with me."

We have yet \$110.00 due, and \$140.00 on Subscription to pay it, but to get it is the rub. I got \$1.00 for today's care and watch and drumming. It's a good thing that I used to

be an insurance agent, or I'd collapse.

I am glad you are coming through Alamosa on your return. Remember that the church is right at the entrance to town on the Conejas and stage road. Also that my parsonage 11X13 is there, and having your blankets etc, you can bunk there. I do not want you to pass through without seeing me. Either tell me beforehand when you are coming that I may meet you or come here, and if I am absent at Del Norte (I am here on the 2nd and the 4th Saturday of each month) telegraph me, and in six hours of daylight I can get here.-

I want very much to go to Presbytery this fall; to see about this \$110.00 deficit, in case you do not raise it, for collections are going to be slow, and second to "Cong. & Presn. Comedy" on the head. Its about time that this dishonest anity was uncovered- Unity church and at Silver-ton, and Church of Christ as at Leadville are not the things we bargained for. Why? Dr. if we do not have a series of sound conversation conversion in this West to carry off religious filth and excrescences we must have a slough to throw them in, so that there is an inannual necessity for a Cong. or Epis. church in every town. Shortly I'LL have expurgated my Del Norte church of enough to start a Cong. cesspool.

May the devil take Unionism for Christ wont have it. Why a Mormon priest and a Universalist woman wanted to unionize with me here! Talk of Conglomerates. I settled the priest- and he attacked me, and I came near shooting him. I want to shoot off my mouth at Presbytery on Unionism alais Congregationalism, and so if I can get a free pass I'll go to Presbytery, for I cannot pay my way, as I am still paying 1 1/2 a month on what took me there last spring.

I feel very bad, we are not paying even the interest on what you lent me last year so kindly, but I owed \$100.00 at Bank-\$50.00 for Presbytery Expenses, and the Board after I cut myself down to \$100.00 more, -and cut me down \$100.00 more, and did not send the \$175.00 that would have left all but \$2.00 enough to have paid that interest, then came the parsonage, and as usual the preacher had to give more than all his church put together. Curse such Christianity! I wish the Lord had let me have the Navajois, or some better heathern than the Presbyterians of Del Norte.

If I get wealthy I am going to establish a Proffessoor in the Western seminaries on Church discipline with 1 and 2nd

Corinthians as a Text Book! and how to Educate Christians.

I open a new appointment in Costilla Co., to-morrow next Sabbath September 29th- I am going among the Mexicans and whites of the Lajara and Alamosa- and also preach on the Piedad- its a fifth explaining Sunday. This will make me six places of preaching altogether in three counties. Wife and I are so sick at heart and poor of purse that an invitation Eastward would forever take us out of the heathen west. The Lord will not convert it seems, and so they had better go to hell without a preacher. I could at least in the East have audiences that knew good preaching when they heard it.

The alternative with me has become an always itineracy in an everlasting pastorate. If I was rich I would leave the ministry today, and write my three or four books waiting for ^{second} publication. The ministry I dreamt of as a boy, dedicated to it in infancy, I have never even tasted of, I have not tasted of the christian love of a church since the Lord brought 30 into Oneida church in 71. To be misrepresented, to be slandered, to be misunderstood, to be personally abused, to have my best efforts made my sins that has been my lot; why I have known nearly a year when I never laughed. No wonder God solemnly said " Touch not mine anointed, and do my prophets no harm" No wonder Election is true, and practically in the West Perseverance of the Saints, is a lie. If Christians don't watch out I'll start a sect of my own in which a stingy Professor will be defined a thief, and an idle soul a hypocrite. But dear Brother this is the bitterness of my soul, seldom shown though often felt. It's because I know you love me, and appreciate me that I write you. I get so sick that I would wish I was in heaven but for my wife, my babes, and my work.

Brother George has been ill this summer-preaches but once a day. He knows nothing of hygenic care of himself, and I ^{is getting} suppose ^{is getting} studiously hungry, since his taste often is theological.

Give my regards to Smith, the most level headed man in the Presbytery of Santa Fe.

Yours ever,

Alex. M. Darley.

Logan, Utah., September 2/78.

Brother Jackson:-

We have been very busy since we engaged Lindguists

Store Room and since I last wrote you in making our preparations to commence services. He agreed to let us have the permesis on the 15th. of August but we got it on the 19th. partly prepared as he agreed to make it. I took possession thinking as he was a Mormon there might be an influence brought to bear to keep us out of it. He has been threatened with expulsion from the church but he very creditably resists the attacks- I have been hard at work, making desks, platforms, partitions, etc, and have been to mich expense, but on Sabbath the 25th. we had an evening service in the unfurnished room with impromptu lighting apparatus, we held a prayer-meeting and had the room full outside and in- As this was our first meeting many no doubt came to see the "elephant"- I announced that we would commence regular services the 1st. of September. Preaching at 11 a.m. Sunday-School at 3:30 p.m., and prayer-meeting Wednesday evening at 8 o'clock. Yesterday we held our first service in our furnished room (except painting) and we had a very encouraging day. I preached at 11a.m. from 1st. Cor. 2.2-29.

People mostly in sympathy with us, except some spies, Episcopalists and Mormons. Had each service at the same hour. At 3:30 p.m. we organized a Sunday School with 45 present, but many being present out of curocity to come again. We can rely on about 15 scholars, and five teachers. In the evening we had our room full. 85 present, and could have had many more if we had had room and accomodations.

All the services were respectful, interested and attentive. We feel very hopeful. Our school this morning commences with six pupils, but we know of several more.

We have as I said worked hard and been to considerable expense to fit up our place, and we have it very neat and comfortable. When we get all of our chairs, we will have accomodations for 75 persons or more, and nearly as many pupils. I wish you could happen in.

Will there be any doubt about the Board making another advance for us? We are "broke" and somewhat in debt for our fixings. I am afraid we will need some funds before our next regular remittance- as to a church organization we can count on 11 members, now I think and probably more, and I can see no good reason why a church should not be organized here soon. I have one of Mr. Gillespie's elders, who has lately moved here, with his family of three members, and he is a great help to me. Mr. Story has left and I am alone in

the ministry here. I am sorry I cannot attend the meeting of Presbytery at American Fort of Friday as my services, school and funds will not permit. You go. Come up and see us by all means.

Calvin M. Parks.

Fort Wrangle, Alaska., September 3/78.

Rev. Sheldon Jackson D. D.

Dear Brother:-

I know you will excuse me for writing with pencil when I tell you I am writing by the side of Mr. Vanderbilt's sick bed. He has had a severe attack of inflammatory rheumatism. Has been in bed a week, and has suffered intensely. He has grown so nervous that he cannot endure many around him, and as his wife is still away, I have had to be with him every minute I could. Mr. Young has stayed with him at night. Now I must tell you something about Mr. Young. Miss Kellogg came down from Sitka last Steamer to make me a visit. She and Mr. Young seemed much pleased with each other from the first. It looks like a mutual case of love at first sight. They are already engaged and expect to be married when the November steamer goes up to Sitka. Mr. Young has written to Dr. Lindsley to send another teacher to Sitka as soon as possible. There is another niece of Dr. L. who wants to come to Alaska. She I think is in California and I presume she will be sent at once. All this seems very strange and very quick work to me. Miss Kellogg is considerably older than he, and I think if I was a minister selecting a wife I would not choose her. But if he is satisfied I will not complain. They are going to housekeeping as soon as they are married. We all like Mr. Young very much, he has made a favorable impression both on whites and natives. He has been very busy ever since coming.

There has been an unusual amount of sickness among the Indians in the last two months. Mr. Young has attended two funerals since coming, one of an old woman who died Saturday last, and was buried on Sabbath after our 3 o'clock service. When we went to the house where the funeral was to be, we were shocked to see the dead body of another woman wrapped in a blanket and lying on the floor. But when we found that she had hung herself a short time before we were more shocked. The witchcraft business was the cause of it.

I have not yet moved into the Hospital Building, as I have nothing to begin with, I thought I would wait till the steamer would come id and see what it would bring me. I am exceedingly anxious to get started. There are six young girls here that I ought to take right away, and as the miñers are coming down every day, I tremble for these poor children lest it should be too late to save them. Some of the things I wrote to you about that troubled me (the renting of the school-room for one) I will now turn over to Mr. Young, and let him do as he thinks best about them. I feel as if there was a great load taken off my shoulders since Mr. Young come, and if Miss Dunbar should be on the incoming steamer I would be happy. I have been having a vacation since last syeamer and would be so glad if Miss Dunbar was here to open the school.

Mr. Young seems so frail. I very much the labor here will be too much for him. The indians are running after him continually for something. He is finding out what a responsibility has been resting on me, now our rainy season is upon us, and oh! how it does pour. We have a great deal of rain at all seasons, but now we have not seen the sun for fourteen days, and from appearances we may not see it for fourteen days more. Mr. Young preaches to the whites at 3 o'clock every Sabbath. The white men come out very well and seem to be quite interested.

September 11th, 78.

The Steamer came in yesteday and brought me your letter of August 12th. It does seem astonishing the feeling of jealousy that has taken possession of Dr. Lindsley and the Oregon Presbytery. It certainly shows a great deal of self-ise narrow mindedness, that they will allow their personal feelings to interfere with the great and important work in which we are all engaged. Dr. Lindsley's trying has made matters very unpleasant for me, in many respects, and now that Mr. Young is going to be connected with his family I do not hope for any improvement in that direction.

I think this paper adopted by the Presbytery of Oregon is (at least parts of it) unchristian and ungentlemenly. The statement about "Mr. Mallory coming out commissioned by the Board of Foreign Missions for work among the "Nez Perces" is not correct. He came out as a teacher, appointed by government. Another is "Mr. Mallory" having accepted a Government appointment in Arizons was obliged to leave the ground"

Mr. Mallery knew nothing of his appointment till he returned to Portland. You are under a little mistake too I think about Mr. Mallery making the trip to Arizena Alaska in hope of being appointed Indian Sgent, no I think his intention was to come as a missionary. I knew he had a consultation with Col. Watkins about the possibility of ~~there~~^{him} being appointed Indian Agent, but it was only to be in connection with his other work, and to give him some authority among the indians. Col. Watkins told him if he got the appointment it wald- would be with that view, and that he could not draw the Sallery of an Indian Agent, because there had been no appropriations made for Alaska. Of course you are right about the school being so much under way when Mr. Mallery arrived, as when we arrived. I feel well assured if you had not taken hold of Alaska as you did, and had I not come "Failure" would still be written on all Dr. Lindsley's efforts. I am glad to hear the Board had commissioned Miss Dunbar. How much I wish she was here now to take charge of the school.

I think Dr. Lindsley will be willing for her to come now that Mr. Young has written to him to send his other neice to Sitka to take Miss Kellogg place. Their first arrangement was that they would send Miss Dunbar to Sitka and have Miss Kollagg take the place here. That I objected to seriously. (but did it in a way not to offend) so they have now decided that it will be best for Miss Kellogg to resign the 1st of November. These new arrangements disturb me a good deal. I feel as if there was a spy on my work all the time reporting everything below. But I shall try to live so far above it, as not to allow it to interfere with duty.

I am much obliged to you for your suggestions about my reports etc. But I have attended to all this at the end of each quarter, sending my reports promptly. My last I sent at the proper time, and stated just what was due me, and also asked about the renewal of my commission.

This mail I received a very kind letter from Dr. Dickson, with commission for the present year at the same salery as last year, and also blank reports. But not a word about the money. Mr. Young says the money has all to come through Dr. Lindsley. It seems a very strange arrangement but I suppose we must submit to it.

Now, Dr. this report of the money received for Wrangel rather puzzel me. Please send me word how much of

this I must pay over to the church fund. I suppose at least the \$100.00 sent by Mrs. S. A. Gilbert of Utica, New York, and the \$50.00 sent by the Sabbath school of Rochester, New York. That will more than pay what I owe you (if I am correct) one little mistake you make is, in what you have paid out you say you paid Mrs. McFarland \$9.00 special from Mrs. Spaulding. You did not send me the nine dollars, but said you would give me credit for that much. You ask me to write to the ladies whom you name, if I have not already done so, of course I have not, for I had not heard of them before. I will write to them but do not think I can do it for this mail. I will try and write to Mrs. Cotton, though as you have received my letters about the "Home" you already know what Mr. Vanderbilt has done, which will be a great help to us. I feel the difficulties I will have to contend with in opening this house. Yet I feel that if we expect to accomplish anything here we must do this at once. I know your plan is a good one and a safe one, yet there are some young girls herenow that I feel will be lost if I do not take them (of course there are a great many more, but these I feel particularly interested in, because, they have been in school, and are anxious to come to me) They are all pretty and smart and just the ones that the white men will try to get possession of. I have written many letters and made appeals in many directions but as yet have very little encouragement to go on, and yet I feel that I must do it. I feel that I could hardly live and stay here and see what I have in the past year. You put your estimates too high on the support of the "Home". I think I can run it for much less than "two or three thousand dollars per year." Mrs. Graham thinks there would be no difficulty in having the "Home" supported. But she on the other hand puts the estimate too low. Mr. Young has been urging me to get moved and make a beginning. (He sees the great need of it) I think I will get moved some time this month, of course we will have to begin with almost nothing in the way of furniture-but I think it will come in due time.

Dr. Lindsley writes, "go on, the Home shall be sustained, at least as an experiment," but says nothing about the way it shall be sustained. So I do not count much on that. I do not know what I would be willing to give, if I could see you, and have a long conference about these things. One thing I wanted to tell you, Mr. Brady told Miss Kellogg that the reason the Board had not paid me promptly, was that they were

dissatisfied with me. That I expected too much. That I had even made out a list of household furniture and sent to the Board and asked them to pay for it. This of course is without the shadow of a foundation. Did you ever hear of it? I never made any list except the one I sent you.

Mrs. Vanderbilt came home on the Steamer. We were rejoiced to see her, for her poor husband was so very sick. He is a little better now, but still quite sick. He has given me ten views and asked me to send them to you as a present from him. I will send them this mail.

Since writing this far Mrs. Dickson has brought a woman to me, who is the mother of one of my school girls, (a pretty little girl of thirteen) and was about to start up the river with the child to (as she called it) make money to buy Muck a Muck for winter. The woman is determined to go herself but after long persuasion she consented to leave the child with me. So you see the Home is already started.

Now this letter may seem a little mixed up, but I have had to write a little just when I could get time, so I could not help it.

Much love to Mrs. Jackson and the children.

Yours in Christian love,

A. R. McFarland.

P. S. I do not know what I should do if I did not have you to consult with. I have just found out that I have missed this half sheet. I will fill it up if the Steamer does not get in before I am ready. Mr. Vanderbilt was very bad last night. We were all very much alarmed, was afraid the disease was going to his heart. He is some easier this morning.

Since closing my letter I have asked Mr. Young to send you the estimates of the cost of buildings. He said he only wrote to you about church before. Mr. Vanderbail only gives us the building free of rent for one year. If we remain in it longer than that we will have to pay rent for it. I would give a great deal to see you and talk matters over with you. There is so much to say it seems impossible to write all. I am always so hurried for time, more particularly so this time as I have the school and Home both to attend to. I think it is a splendid idea to ask for a Christmas offering for the Home. We are living on faith now. I hope it will hold out.

A. R. McFarland.

Colorado, Springs., Colorado.
September 3/78.

Dear Brother Jackson:-

Inclosed a draft on New York to your order for \$30.00. This money is from the S. S. Mission Band, except \$5.00 which we collected at the Lake on the Pikes Peak trail, a few days ago.

You will use it for diging the well at Zuni, or at your discession for something else much needed.

At our communion Sabbath we had seven additions, one by proffession, a young man raised a Romanist.

We expect to commence soon to build a Sabbath School and Lecture Room, at a cost of about \$800.00. I will send you particulars when our work commences.

Mr. Roberts has written me that he will send two Mexican boy's here, to the college to school. They will be here by October 1st.

President Tenney has agreed to furnish \$100.00 a piece toward their expenses, and I promised to aid them in getting board, and in securing work, and if possible also solicit money east for their support. How much will they need? Will it be well to carry them through in this way?

Yours very truly,
Henry B. Gage.

Office of Pueblo Indian Agency,
Santa Fe, New Mexico.,
September 3/78.

The Governor and Principales,
Pueblo of James,
New Mexico.,

My Dear Sirs:-

It has been my intention to visit you about this time on important business in regard to your school, but I am sorry to say that I am compedded to go to other parts of the Territory and to Colorado before I can go to James.

Your teacher will soon receive enough money from your friends in Denver and the cities further east, to build a good comfortable for his family and your school.

Dr. Jackson, one of your best friends and the one who got you your present good teachers and the money to build the house, will visit you this week and will spend next Sunday in James. I wish you to treat him with great respect

on account of what he has done for your interests and listen well to the advice he will give you.

Besides the money your teacher will get to build the house for your school, I hope to get a leager som from the government at Washington to build a large house near by the one your teacher will build for a home, where your poor children can be taken and fed and clothed and taught. I have not got the money for this yet, but I will try very hard to get it and to build the house next spring.

Now, if you have these houses for your schools, it will be necessary for you to set apart a piece of good land near your pueblo which can be irregated, so that your children and teacher may be able to raise a good garden around the houses.

You, and all your people, and your teachers and myself are all interested in this business, because we are all Pueblo Indians together and we do not want to see the Mexicans and Americans have better school houses nor learn faster than we do. The Americans are now stying to start a fine school at Santa Fe, and I believe that we can have a finer one if we all try.

With much respect,

Your friend,

Ben M. Thomas.

U. S. Indian Agent.

ANTON, CHICO, NEW MEXICO.,

September 4/98.

Rev. Dr. Jackson,

Dear Brother:-

I reached home today an hour before sun down. Found all well, and Miss Rebecca A. here. The school numbers 7. My four scholars ave not yet come from Fort Sumner.

Mrs. Ealy is willing to go to Zuni. Says she will take Miss Susan Gates along, if she will go. It will probably require your attention at Agua Negra to place another teacher there. We cannot start inside of two weeks. Give me your address at Zuni. Please send me check for \$100.00 here at Anton Chico.

The team hire I will pay when I get to Zuni, or rather I will ask you to be prepared to pay it. Will let you know what it is, when we leave Albuquerque You might send me \$50.00 to Albuquerque if you think it would be safe.

Mrs E likes Manual's plan of house with S. H. by its self.

Fraternally,

T. F. Ealy.

Anton Chico, New Mexico.,

September 4/78.

Rev. Dr. Shields,

Dear Brother:-

I reached home today. Found all well and our school going on.

Mrs. Ealy is willing to go to Zuni. Tell Dr. J. if with you, to send me \$100.00 check to Anton Chico. I wrote him at Puerto - we hope to get off in about a fortnight-

Fraternally,

T. F. Ealy.

Anton Chico, New Mexico,

September 4/78.

Dear Brother Jno:-

I am home again. Got here early. Found all well. Mrs. Ealy will go to Zuni. Your plan of the house Mrs. Ealy likes better than Dr. J's. She thinks the S. H. ought to be a short distance from the dwelling.

In about two weeks we can perhaps get off. Tell Dr. J. to send me \$100.00 check to Anton Chico.

I have written him. () Puerto.

Fraternally,

T. F. Ealy.

Office Pueblo Indian Agency,

Santa Fe, New Mexico.,

September 4/78.

The Governor, Pedro Pino,
and all the Principales,
Peublo of Zuni, N. M.

Dear Friends:-

This letter will be handed you by Dr. Jackson, one of your friends from the east who you will remember visited you with me more than a year ago. He goes to Zuni now for the purpose of building a school house and getting your school started again. Another teacher is trying to arrange his business so that he can go to Zuni this fall and commence

the school.

You are hereby directed to furnish all the help possible in building the school house, and it will also be necessary for you to set apart a piece of land for the house and a garden near the pueblo. You are also directed to deliver to Dr. Jackson or to the new Teacher who arrives, such of the Government property left in your hands by Dr. Palmer as they may require.

Very respectfully,

Your friend,

Ben. M. Thomas.

U. S. Indian Agent.

"Zuni Endorsement of Agent."

Pueblo of Zuni New Mexico.,

At a council of the Governor, Don Pedro Pino and Principal Mem of Zuni called to meet Rev. Sheldon Jackson D. D., Rev. John Menaul and Rev. Jose Y. Perea, Missionaries of the Presbyterian Church and held at Zuni September 21, 1878.

It was mutually conenanted and agreed,

1st. That the people of Zuni would set apart a portion of land north east of the Pueblo and marked at the corners by stakes, as a site for Missionary building. School house, garden etc.

2nd. That the people of Zuni will provide the necessary stone, adobe, vigas, etc and do what they can to assist in the erection of the same.

3rd. That the people of Zuni and officers thereof, will see that the children of the Pueblo are kept in the school.

4th. That Rev. Sheldon Jackson D. D. will provide the necessary doors, windows, glass and hardware for the building.

5th. That the said Dr. Jackson will provide a suitable teacher for the school.

Signed in Duplicate

Sheldon Jackson.

Superintendant of Presbyterian

Missions in the Territories.

*(Witnesses)

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*John Menaul

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Pedro

Pino.

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New Hamburg, September 5/78.

Dr. Jackson,
Dear Sir:-

Please find enclosed check for \$60.00. (sixty-dollars) Fifty (\$50.00) of which is for the Mission residence, and Ten (\$10.00) for Stereoptican views.

Will leave both the Pottery and views to your selection.

Address Mrs. Sarah Millard,
New Hamburg,
Douchess County,
New York.

Evans Colorado., September
5th, 1878.

Mrs. Jackson,
Dear Friend:-

The metter at the Ranch is all right. The reason Mr. Cooper wrote you was from the fact he did not know that Mr. Jackson had given me charge of the grain. I had not seen Mr. Cooper till after I received the letter till yesterday. Mr. Cooper is very glad I am to take charge in the affair. The mill delivers one third of the wheat and also of the barley I will have soaked, hauled and shipped.

I am sorry I did not see Mr. Cooper sooner after I received Mr. Jackson's letter, as he would not have written you if I had. It would have saved you some worry about it.

The grain will be thrashed the last of this week. There is quite a good crop of it.

Yours etc,

Jno. F. Stewart.

Philadelphia, Pa., September 6/78.
3919 Chesnut, Street.

Dr. Jackson,
Dear Sir:-

I enclose you my usual contrubition \$5.00 to your paper, "Rocky Mountain Presbyterian": instead of leaving you to select the persons to be benefitted by its pages, let me suggest that for this year, that is a year from Oct- some numbers be sent to those I am striving to stir up to

the work of evangelizing our country. Two copies to me.
 1 to Mrs. W. P. Wilson, State Street, Trenton, N. J.
 1 to Mr. Augustus Richey. State Street, " " "
 1 to Mrs. Ann Thomas. 428 Spruce Street, Phil. Pa.

I hope there will be some fruit from this.
 (Dr. Jackson, I put these names on mailing list as requested and send letter to you. A. P. !

I suppose you are fully acquainted in the efforts now making to form a Woman's Society, that shall aid the Territories and advance gospel work then. So far we have not been successful in inducing Mrs. Graham to have the Foreign work moved to Philadelphia.

We are waiting for more light and expect to have another meeting next October. Can you come—give us any information?

Mrs. M. N. Wright I hear is much offended—opposed to meeting with the N. Y. Society, unless they give up the Foreign. I cannot say my views are formed. It may be the only thing we can do.

Yours truly,
 L. M. Dickson.

 Anton Chico, New Mexico.,
 September 7/78.

Dr. Shelton Jackson,
 Dear Brother:-

Instead of one hundred dollars (\$100.00) I should have asked for two hundred (\$200.00) If we take our assistant and teacher along it will increase the expenses very much.

We will leave here Monday september 23rd. Expect to be in Albuquerque on the 25th or 26th. D. V. If you cannot communicate again at this point let us hear from you at Albuquerque— Do not forget this interesting point, scholars have been brought here to go to me from the convent at Vegas. I do hope a man can be sent soon. A man coming will find some warm friends to welcome him.

Upper Anton Chico -which is a mile above must have 200 of a population. Two men from Las Vegas are thinking of building a large grist mill here. The water power is excellent. Fish plenty. The A. T. and S. F. R. R. will come near the town, and any road from the East through the Indian Territory will strike very near here.

 Fraternally, T. F. Ealy.

P. S. I understood at Herlows Hotel in Santa Fe, that a minister had stopped there not long ago, who was on his way to the Mogul Indians, but they could not tell me his name.

September 7/78.

"Historic Sketch of Jemez Mission and Church".

About the first of October 1877, Rev. Henry Kendall D. D. and Rev. Sheldon Jackson D. D. made a call at Jemez with reference to the establishment of a mission school.

Upon their return home they secured the services of Mr. J. M. Shields M. D. of Covode, Pa., who left with his family on the 13th of February reaching the Pueblo on March 6th 1878.

The rooms were rented in one of the old buildings—openings cut through the walls for doors & windows, the walls whitened and the place thoroughly cleaned and renovated.

The school was opened March 18th, with 10 boy's, 4 girls and 6 visitors.

At a meeting of the Presbytery of Santa Fe, August 29th-September 1st, a committee was appointed to visit Jemez and if the way be clear organize a church.

Consequently the Pueblo was visited and on September 8th a Presbyterian Church was organized by Rev. Sheldon Jackson D. D. Rev. John Shields M. D. and Elder Jose Y. Perea— with the following members—

Mrs. Emily A. Shields, from Presbyterian Church at Santa Fe, on profession of faith.

Romualdo Montoya, Mrs. Trinidad Montoya, and Miss Josefita Montoya. Romualdo Montoya was ordained and installed Ruling Elder— The sermon was preached in Spanish by Jose Ynes Perea.

After the organization the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper was administered— There were present 9 Mexicans, 8 Pueblos, and 6 Americans.

In August 1878 Rev. Sheldon Jackson D. D. made arrangements for the erection of a Mission House. On September the 8th, in connection with Dr. Shields he held a council with the Governor, the Cacique, and Principales or Council with reference to a site for said buildings, which resulted in the Pueblo granting them all the land that should be needed above the ditch as a perpetual loan as long as it should be needed for the Missionary purposes.

Marseilles, Ohio, September 7/78.

Rev. Sheldon Jackson,
Dear Sir:-

Your letter was received in due time and I read it before the Society today. Although we concluded it wiser to become auxiliary to the Board of the North West and thus work with our Presbytery - we did not forget your earnest appeal and I am come to tell you that we this day pledge ourselves to send you \$25.00 toward your house. I wish it was more, but we are weak in the flesh, though the spirit is willing.

Yes, we would gladly do more for you if we could, but our numbers are few. Many who are able to give most, lack a missionary spirit - and turn us the cold shoulder when we invite them to this high privilege of "lending" to the Lord".

We also donated \$10.00 for Mrs. McFarland for her school, as she requested some one to send her some charts, cards etc, in the last Rocky Mountain. I mention this because I know you are interested in the Alaska Mission at Fort Wrangel.

How soon do you expect building the church there? we are looking forward to the time when we shall know they have a church. Will you please write and tell us how, and when to send you the money now ready for you?

As our year is only half gone, perhaps we can only send you half the amount now. Your letter was quite satisfactory. I had one also from Rev. H. Kendall, and now we feel quite well informed.

Hoping to hear from you soon I subscribe myself as ever, a willing worker,

Lizzie Rubins.

Marseilles, Ohio.
Wyandott CO.
(Sec. of W. M. S.)

El Mora, Colorado., September 7/78.

Rev. Sheldon Jackson,
Hon. B. M. Thomas, U. S. Indian Agt.
Santa Fe, New Mexico.,

Dear Sir:-

Your favor of the 4th inst. is received and noted. We did not allow any delay in sending the goods, (should not

whether bill was paid or not) and sent them by first mule teams we could engage. Fearing we should fail to secure mule teams after contracting the Zuni Fort, we telegraphed asking if we should send in ox teams. But afterwards send them by same mule teams through.

We delayed sending statement as you requested, but sent it the 5th inst. care of B. M. Thomas, Esq. Santa Fe. and hope all will be found correct and satisfactory.

Very respectfully,

Your

Browne & Manzanares.

(Postal)

Alamosa, Colorado.,

September 9/78.

My dear Brother:-

I wrote you about the time of "Walsenburg Washout", stating to you our embarrassment here on account of not prompt payment of Subscription asking your aid to the amount of \$100. to be raised in some way by you-and to be possibly repaid by us. I have not heard from you, though our need was urgent.

I am anxious to hear. Answer me at Del Norte.

Yours fraternally,

A. M. Darley.

Sitka, Alaska., September 11/78.

Dear Dr. Jackson:-

Your note of July 30th, came by this mail. I also received a short letter from Mr. Corlies in answer to the one which I wrote to him. He says he will be here in the spring. I have enclosed those two letters which you sent me, and the one that I received from Dr. Dickson, suggesting that the Board might come to some understanding with Mr. Corlies. I shall leave here in December and in all probability will return East. What can you do toward securing me reduced fare over the railroads? I believe that Mr. Cornwall will allow me half fare rates to San Francisco. If I go East I hope to pass through your city. I refrain from writing you a long letter. My position here has been made rather unpleasant. Do all you can against any single man coming to Sitka.

Col. Ball has made a long and careful report upon Alaska to the treasury department. The Russians have sent a petition to the Russian Minister at Washington recounting

their grievances and calling his attention to Act 3 of the Treaty of Cession. I have written a long letter to R. H. Platt a college class-mate of mine and nephew to the President. We hope that this correspondence will have some effect. I shall make as large a collection of Indian relics as my means will admit of. This Territory is full of promise and in no distant day there will be thousands sailing hither. The quartz mill will soon be at work, and the canneries have done well.

For the past month the Indians have gone to their summer grounds for fish berries etc.

Miss Kellogg visited Mrs. McFarland and Mr. Young. I may possibly take a trip to Chilcat before leaving here.

If you have any particular requests please answer at once.

Yours sincerely,
Jonh G. Brady.

American Fork, Utah.,
September 11/78.

Rev. Sheldon Jackson:-

Editor Rocky Mountain Presbyterian,
Denver,

Dear Brother:-

Enclosed please find one dollar \$1.00 my subscription for the Rocky Mountain Presbyterian for one year from the September number, which please forward to me at the above address.

Presbytery met here last Saturday, and we had a most enjoyable season. Several appeals for organization presented. We have now ten ministers in active work and hope to have yet more added to our number. All well, and the work goes on.

Yours truly,
George R. Bird.

Fairplay, Colorado., September 12/78.

To Rev. Sheldon Jackson, D. D.

Sanata, Fe,
New Mexico.,

Dear Brother:-

I see by the last number of the Rocky Mountain Presbyterian that your address will be as above during September. I write to let you know that I expect to leave

this field about the last of October, and to give you some little information in regard to Fairplay and Alma; and to give my opinion as to what you had perhaps better do, or recommend in relation to these points. And first I have this to be a very barren field to labor in, though I have labored faithfully since I came here, little or nothing has been accomplished--but the revival and continuance of the School; the observance of Prayer-meeting every Thursday evening, and the regular preaching and teaching of the word once, twice, or thrice every Sabbath day in Fairplay; and preaching service nearly every two weeks in Alma; last Sabbath day I was down and held ^{public} service at Saml. Hartsel's B. Sabbath School and public service was observed here in Fairplay by Brother Cook for me; by the M. E. preacher.

I held communion service here in Fairplay on Sabbath the 4th, of August, one young lady received by certificate and some children baptised. Also had communion at Alma the 4th on last Saboath of August.

Since you were here in June, there have been removals of several persons including one family nominally Presbyterians to Leadville--and from Alma more than half the members of the little flock have gone to Leadville within the last month. This of course still reduces the strenght of these feeble points, now I offer my suggestions; Take in the past and the present conditions, and the whole circumstances of these feeble shurches into the account I do not think it pays you, or the "Home Board" or the church at large, or even the people here, to sustain a regular missionary here for some time to come; and I am quite sure it will not justify the man himself who is sent here, unless he be a very extraordinary man or an angel from Heaven.

The man who comes here to serve these people must literally carry every burden along in his own hands, and bear every thing on his own shoulders or everything will stop. And this too, with very little aid or sympathy from church members or any one else; why sir, after I took the first and only collection taken after public service in June last, there has been a ~~mark~~ marked diminution in attendance on public service, and intimations that if collections were taken no persons would attend. The collection taken was given to the sexton, to pay arrears due him, and not long after that time the key of the church was put into my

hands as a gentle hint that I might ^{and take care of} open the church, and this I have done nearly every since the first of June.

They raised on ^{subscription} Sabbath-for my support here in Fairplay only about \$70.00 for six months, and \$50.00 of that at-Almamay be paid. At Alma they raised near \$15.00 will likely be paid. I mention these facts to show you how these people appreciate the kindness of your self and the Board in sending them missionaries. In fact I have heard the Ex-Elder here insinuate plainly that the crippled state of the church here was changable to the mismanagement of Dr. J. and Leisswoth etc, etc.

Now my dear Brother I would deal with this people a little different in the future, and would not send them a regular preacher or Missionary, but if you can find a good young man, a teacher: and one who is a Sabbath school man, and give \$150.00 or \$200.00. Missionary support. he can hold prayer-meetings, Sabbath school etc, such a person could no doubt get the public school to teach here, and thus save the church.

I expect to leave this field about the 29th, of October, my term of service will expire the frist Sabbath of November, and I shall employ a substitute to attend services for me on that day.

There will be no time lost, not a single week: nor have I taken any vacation I shall not receive my last payment from the Board until the last of the year: or after I have returned home: and have just sent on the my Brother for money to take me home: I will regard it as a great favor of you can, by the 30th of October secure me a 1/2 fare ticket East of Kansas City either to Saint Louis or to Chicago, and if you are not at your home in Denver on the 30th of October leave the ticket at your house and I will call for it. I would like very much to see you, before I return East. And if you will be in Denver about the 30th of October please send me a note or postal and let me know.

Yours very truly, and sincerely
C. Moore.

Lake City, Colorado., September 14/78.

Dear Brother Jackson:-

I have been waiting patiently for my quarterage. . It was due me the 15th of August. The first

of this week I received a printed notice stating that the Home Board would not be able to pay promptly. I thought the notice very indefinite.

I owe every dollar that is due me from the Board and \$92.00 of it at 3% per month.

The Board say that they will pay every farthing that they have promised. "The prudent man foreseeth the evil and hideth himself" and lo I have tried to find work and have failed.

Mrs. Darley and I have sold what clothes we could spare and in fact some that we can hardly spare. What do you think I had better do? I hardly know what to do for the best.

If I could find employment I would feel satisfied, but as I cannot, it makes things look rather dark. The merchants are willing to accomodate me, but say they can't wait so long for the money. I have stopped fretting because it is no use, for so long as a man remains on a mission field it will be a scratch to get a living. I am feeling some better, but am troubled with nervous chills, my nervous system seems to be worn out, but I hope the Lord may strengthen me for what ever work he in his providence has laid out for me to do.

Yours in Christ,

George M. Darley.

Anton Chico, New Mexico., September 14/78.

Rev. Sheldon Jackson,

Dear Sir:-

Mr. Ealy is very ill, suffering from cold and riding so far from Santa Fe; I was very much alarmed about him and feel uneasy yet. We were anxious to get to our journey's end before the severe weather comes on.

Mr. Ealy thinks he is getting better, and if able will start soon; will try and reach Albuquerque about the 25th would like to have some more money ^{there} to lay in a supply for winter as well as to provide some things to make us comfortable. We have not succeeded in renting the house yet, we inferred from your letter Mr. Perea had gone in Mr. Barges place. Are we correct?

Miss Susie Gates is here ready to go with us. Taught one month at Agria Negro but had but one pupil.

If nothing prevents will see you soon at Zuni.

We had a call from the priest yesterday, asking us to remain, and saying he is very sorry to have us leave. He says the school will not increase any, as he will not allow any of his pupils to go to Miss Annin. But I think very many of them will go without his permission.

Mr. Holman says he does not wish a teacher at Agua Negro till spring; thinks Miss Gates may want to go back by that time.

Very respectfully,

Mrs. T. F. Ealy.

P. S. Two checks received, one for \$100.00 and the other for \$50.00.

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September 14th, 1878.

"To the Ladie's Board of Missions of the Presbyterian Church".

Dear friends:-

It was well said, a day or two ago, by a friend of Missions, that what is asked of the Ladie's Board of Missions (head-quarters, New York) is modification and enlargement- not discontinuance- and this, in order to meet the need, and requirements of the women of the Presbyterian Church all over the country.

The expression, "Give up Foreign Missions" has been an important one, and may have led to misunderstanding. There was no question, nor wish (rather the contrary) on the part of the Pittsburg Committee, but that the work of Foreign Missions should still be carried on in some way, by the same ladie's in New York, who are now so much interested in it.

But the call, all over the country, confirmed by letters of recent date, is for a distinct organization and center for woman's work, in Home Missions, exclusively given up to this branch of the work.

The preference is for the modification of the Ladie's Board of Missions (head-quarters, New York) as shall meet this want, rather than to have an entirely new Head to woman's work in Home Missions.

Therefore if such separation can be made, as to have the Home Department of the Ladie's Board of Missions called "The Woman's (or Ladie's) Board of Home Missions auxiliary to the Board of Home Missions of the Presbyterian

Church" with a constitution modified in a way to include synodical representation, the object in view will be secured, and there will be no need to call together a convention of women to appoint a new central organization.

The Synodical representation, above referred to, means that in addition to the local executive Committee, of which the officers of the Board are no doubt members, it would be desired that the two women who, it is hoped, will be appointed superintendents in every Synod, shall be ex-officers, members of the Executive Committee, and so entitled to a vote, at any meeting they may be able to attend. If it is preferred they can be called, Vice-Presidents of the Board.

The idea would probably be that this "Woman's Board of Home Missions" should hold one meeting a year in the spring, either before or at the time of the General Assembly.

The work in detail would be carried on in the Synods, and Presbyterys. What is wanted is a central point for reference and direction-etc, one field may be proportionally over worked, and another neglected. The Board of Home Missions would be relieved of much detail work.

The work of the local Executive Committee in New York, would be carried on principally by correspondence with the Superintendents appointed in every Synod. Immediate conference could be had with 23 Central Street, for which reason New York is chosen as place of head-quarters, for this Woman's work.

The Society of the South West would no doubt be willing to furnish any facts or statistics called for. If the dear friends at the head of what is called the New York Society, will only be willing by the grace of God, to make modifications as to their method of work, essentially as above proposed, there seem little doubt, but that they may secure the confidence and co-operation of the women all through the Church, and be able to stir up to activity, for the cause of Christ in our land. To the end, it would no doubt be expected that circular and some Monthly or Bi-Monthly Magazine or "paper" should be published at head-quarters for general circulation. This would not interfere with my local efforts of the kind in the Synod.

It is very desirable that some action be taken soon in order that a statement and appeal be sent, in some way, to

the Synod's meeting on October. As Mrs. Graham's name is so well known throughout the Church, it is earnestly desired that she remain President of this Woman's Board of Home Missions" as thus enlarged. To appoint a new President would almost require the Convention it is desired to avoid- but which the Pittsburg Committee was directed to call in case of need. (see Resolutions)

The question will be asked" How about Foreign Missions", " How shall this part of the old work be carried on"? It is respectfully suggested that that this can be carried on as an independent "Woman's Board of Foreign Missions" of New York, directly auxiliary to the Board of Foreign Missions of the Presbyterian Church. It may not be necessary to use the word "New York" and yet that is common usage for convenience. It can retain a Constitution, allowing it to have auxiliaries, not alone in New York State but elsewhere. It could take Synodical limits, as in the case of Albany and Troy.

There are difficulties, but it has been found elsewhere, they are not insuperable. Local Societies, giving to both Home and Foreign Missions will soon learn how to report their work. Thus in practice, the work will soon regulate itself. It does seem important, in order that the matter should not be misunderstood, that Mrs. Graham should not be the President of the Home Woman's Home Board of Foreign Missions of New York, by what ever name it may be called. This of course in case the department of Home Missions is made distinct, as above proposed. There is no objection to her being Vice-President of the Foreign Board, nor to her taking any other office in it. There is no possible objection to her continuing that personal correspondence with our Foreign Missionaries, which has been of so much encouragement to them. I believe that we are all agreed that it is best to refer this whole matter to the Board of Home Missions. The Pittsburg Committee has determined to do so. It is hoped all will be disposed to abide by, and act according to its decision. Very possible this Board may recommend method of work, under less stringent form, than above suggested.

This paper is not official. It is sent with loving respect, by a member of the Pittsburg Committee in New Jersey.

By

Mrs. T. E. H. Haines.

Roxabelle, Ross Co, Ohio.

September 16/78.

Sheldon Jackson D. D.

Sir:-

Yours from Mount Pleasant reached me in due time.

We have had a delightful meeting of our Presbyter Society, at Chilcats, an advance on any previous one-the outlook was broader, the interest deeper, wider, the spiritual tone higher than before.

Something over \$200.00 has been contributed for New Mexico, the past year, as you suggested. A plea was put in for a more expended circulation of the R. M. Presbyterian and with this I send a draft for one dollar (\$1.50) and a half for which please send copies to,

Mrs. M. R. Bartlett, Chillicothe, Ohio. (Ross Co)

Mrs. George Stewart, Bloomingburg, Ohio (Fayette Co)

Miss Emma Fullerton, " " " "

(I have added these names to mailing list) A. P.

Different ladie's promised to take the matter up in their respective Societies.- such subscriptions were to be marked- from Chillicothe Presbytery.

We supposed that ten at least would be secured in addition to what we have already taken.

Yours,

Mary A. Gage.

James, New Mexico, September 13/78.

Rev. Sheldon Jackson, D. D.

Dear Rector:-

We are all in usual health and doing all we can towards building. It is very slow so far, but I will try and not get discouraged. Will soon have the foundation ready for adobe. I will have to pitch in and work hard myself in order to keep the work moving. The freight teams have not arrived yet, and will not likely for some time. It is mule teams that are coming and strange to say, mule teams are much slower than oxen and the freight rates are higher at the same time. It will come for 2 1/2 ¢ a pound, but they have billed over 300 pounds which is more than the railroad charged for.

I gave a little discourse in Spanish on Sabbath to quite a nice little audience. I am afraid our friend Francisco M. is a Confirmed Catholic. He is still friendly

however and is helping at the house, but I think he has given up all notions of turning. His father-in-law protested against him helping at the house, but he seems determined to help. The Indians are just getting through with a Festival and Dance, and they may possibly work better now.

I would much like to hear how you prosper, and if you let me know where to reach you, I will keep you posted as to our progress in building. We hope that God is building this house for the workman will work in vain if He does not.

We all send love. Remember us to Brother Menaul and Perea, and tell Mr. Perea to let me know about what time he will be here on his way home. I hope he will come this way.

Remember us in your prayers, and may God bless and prosper you in your work and labor of love.

J. M. Shields.

(Postal)

Salt Lake, City, Utah.,
September 19/73.

Dear Doctor:-

School full, and a success. Miss Sarah J. Irwing of Galesburg, Ill, is elected teacher of H. S. Will be in, in two weeks. She seems to be just the teacher we want.

No help yet from the Board of Church Erection- only \$900.00 from Board of Missions for school. I have been appointed Financial Agent for the church. Have received subscriptions enough to carry the interest if we get no help from the Board of Church Erection.

"We must not give up the ship, or run deeper in debt!"

In haste,

J. M. Coyner.

Albany, September 19/73.

Rev. Sheldon Jackson,

Dear Sir:-

Enclosed please find check for \$100.00 (one hundred dollars) to be appropriated to the Zuni Mission. I wish it was ten times as much, but every thing here is so "systematized" that I had only two or three to whom I felt as liberal to go.

May God speed your noble work, prays your sincere friend,

F. E. Wendell.

Anton Chico, New Mexico.,
September 21/73.

Dear Doctor:-

We will start 23, D. V. Have hired an ox team, four yoke for 125- to be paid when we reach Zuni. Please have some of our salary there when we reach Zuni.

We have bought nearly all our supply here at Anton Chico. But there are some things which we will want to get at Albuquerque, and to buy them we will need about \$50.00 more than we now have. I asked you before to have me a check for \$50.00 at Albuquerque when I reached there. Please if you can do not fail to have it all there, then I think we can get all we need for our winter supply. We will do our best to make 20miles a day. All well.

You might ask if we can get carpet made in the Zuni village-if so we need not buy it at Albuquerque.

Yours in the Lord,
T. F. Ealy.

Probably we will camp over Sabbath at A.

23 Center St, New York,
September 21/73.

My dear Brother Kerr:-

Enclosed you will find receipts for the money sent for the Zuni Mission and as you say Dr. Jackson is not at home, and I know of no person at Zuni to whom to send the check, I enclose it to you.

Yours very truly,
A. R. Wilson.

New, York September 24/73.

Dear Dr. Jackson:-

I have two of your good letters, for which many thanks. I have also heard from Mr. Roberts, Annin and Mrs. Griffeth since the meeting of Presbytery at Santa Fe, and my heart is quite lifted in encouragement and gratitude to Him who has done so much to bless the work in New Mexico done by our ladie's Board. How little we thought of the magnitude of this work, as that first little inventory that was formed in my parlor ten years ago-no one knows how many hours of anxiety and discouragement we have had in regard to it, but the seed was slumbering in the ground, and now it promises such a rich harvest. Truly then he said "No seed

shall ever return unto Him void", and while we may not be able to answer all the calls upon us at once, yet I do trust we shall be enabled to "go forward" and will see the work increase to the glory of God.

I saw Dr. Kendall this morning and he said they should forward you to day more money for the building at Zuni- I think we sent in \$92.00 more this week- I see that you promise photograph and pottery to these- the contributor. I have thought some time if I had a few specimens to exhibit when I go to meet Societies it would be a means of interest or a little idol or charm. It makes ^{more} tangible the idea of idolotry in our own country, which some seem almost to doubt.

Next month I am to bring some facts before our city churches, and I am looking for arguments to bring forward and little specimens of ancient art would be very interesting-

You asked me about some money owing for Miss Crawford and if we authorized or engaged her to go to Santa Fe to which I answer most emphatically "No". I was at that time in correspondence with Miss Burnham to go there, and when I received the telegram to-go-therefrom her that Mrs. Griffith was to take her to Taos, I wished her to meet her I answered to "Wait"- until I could know about it. Dr. Dickson was consulted. I know how unexpected it was to me, to have Miss B. go to Taos as I fully expected her then to be located at Santa Fe. I think now we have done well in securing Mrs. Sharon, I hope it is to be a new era for our school. We shall try to reconcile all difficulties for the best interest for the work. Dr. K. will no doubt write you fully upon this subject. I asked the latter to forward Mrs. G. the remaining \$150.00- We do fully appreciate all her work.

I unintentionally omitted saying anything about Mr. Smith- but have talked it over with Dr. K. We shall do as he advises, as far as we can.

I note that Mrs. Shenon is occupying rooms in the house and that we wished to use by courtesey. It may not be necessary to disturb him at once, but doubtless it will be better for him and the school to get out of it mutually. It is not pleasant to live with a school. Mr. G. spoke of repairs- I dont like the word. I hope nothing will be necessary at present. It must be understood that we will

not be run in debt. Must be consulted about anything to be done first.

Yours in the best Bonds,
J. M. Graham.

Mansion House, Brooklyn,, N. Y.
September 25/78.

Dr. Jackson,
Dear friend:-

Your letter from L. (I say L, because I can't spell the word) has come to hand, for which you will accepy my thanks. It was almost as good as seeing the friends and places themselves. Your letter I can't put my hand on, just now. Mr. K. may have taken it to the office, so I will refer to topics as they occur to me-

The Carter who has taken oath against Dr. Thomas was our driver on the Wingate trip- I can readily believe he would swear on one as well as another. Did he not feed that dog with our supplies? I hope because I use an office envelope you will not testify against me.

Glad to hear the good news, or rumors about Mr. Smith. I remember the lady with much interest. We had a good laugh over the Menaul Express. I would today like to start out in just that way. Was glad you had secured a blanket before the race became extinct- or so christianized as not to make good blankets. I will ask my husband how to get the money to you.

Now as to the water bowl. If I could find your letter would know how to spell that word also. Mr. K. says that there is not the slightest prospect of getting it here unbroken, but that he would feel more confidence if it came along with you as far as Denver- where it could rest till another opportunity, but I say- I'll risk it, well packed in wool-as you say-if the freight would not be its weight in gold. I have no idea of the cost of freight. Would not like to lose much over five dollars(\$5.00)on it, as it were in any case. I suppose better given to build Missions and houses- but yousee I want the Ola, and let others who do not want it, build the churches and houses. There is the reasoning for you. on the subject of benevolence.

Get a dark one with red and black on it if you can. One I succeeded in printing through-is white with black figures. Now with all these views before you whether you think

best to try it or not I shall be quite satisfied with your decision.

Supposing that flood had come when I was sleeping on that floor? Am sorry to hear of that misfortune that happened to that little indian girl at Dr. Thomas's. When there I noticed a peculiar way of carrying her head, and supposed it was from their ways of carrying burdens on the head. She has fallen into her name and christian hands.

The last number of your paper I think specially interesting, shall send it to Brother John who ought to take it. Do tell us something of your good wife and children and of your family generally. Are your father and mother to be with you again this winter. Of Miss C. also, I always want to hear. Have any of the family yet visited her? I am watching and waiting for that owl- with that and the duck you brought last winter, I shall feel very grand.

With many thanks for ^{your kindness in} attending to my whims, I remain,

Yours truly,

Mrs. L. L. Kendall.

Phoenix Arizona, September 25/78.

Rev Sheldon Jackson,
Dear Brother:,

I received yours of September the 7th yesterday, and can assure you that it gave me much pleasure.

It is the first that I have received from any one of those concerned in sending me out here. I have writted several to the members of the Board at 23 Center st. But have as yet received nothing except a circular stating the embarrassing condition of the finances of the Board ect. I should like to have had a line at least informing me whether they received my letters, of which I have no doubt as others in the city of N. Y. to whom I have written have received whatever I have sent through the mail.

As you see at the head of my letter I am now at Phenix. I find it quite different here from Florence. This last is virtually dead at present. But here every thing is lively except religion. I have been informed that the population has doubled itself in less than eleven months and are still pouring in. Buildings are going up some of which are wood instead of adodes. An attempt has also been made at brick burning and we may be able to bost of brick buildings

yet . There are I believe at present eleven saloons besides the dry good stores which sell by the quantity. This I give you because I have been told that saloons ect are pretty good signs that a town on the frontier is growing. The M. E. Church South have a Church building 40X60 under roof but is not seated nor plastered yet. A large hall has just been completed, and arrangements have been made to have religious services there. The Methodists have offered me the use of their building and they themselves do not occupy it.

Thus having the church and hall at my disposal I feel that I shall not want for room. The two branches of Methodists are a little at outs with one another, and both are trying to obtain the influence, there may be in my being here, on their side. I find therefore that I have to act with caution so as not to commit myself and at the same time be decided and out spoken. Their ministers here are good meaning men but have not the respect of the community that they should have in order to influence it as they should. They are both old bachelors, and somewhat cast iron in their views and methods. The next Sabbath a Union Sabbath school is to be organized, and I have been asked whether I would act if elected superintendent, I gave my assent, for I think that if elected I will have a powerful lever with which to work, as it will bring me in contact with the children, and I trust the more readily open the door to visit the families. There has been considerable of jealousy and bad feeling amongst the different sects and parties here which has been against having an effective Sabbath school. But as the Presbyterian is a new element this may be healed up by judicious management.

I find it more expensive to live here than at Florence, alas, less accommodations. I sleep upon a pair of blankets, using my overcoat for a pillow. I room with a justice of the peace Mr. Highland; or rather he and I have rented a small room together. Is it about 12X14. Rent \$10.00 per month. Mr. H. has raised a Presbyterian in Pittsburg. His family I believe are members of the church. If he is reelected he will have them to come out. They are at present at Pittsburg. There is another family here who are Presbyterians, or the wife at least, but they are not of the active sort. But there is plenty of material here to work upon and by the grace of God make members. I see many avenues where influence might be exerted. There are no

associations of any sort here for the young people. I mean literary societies, reading clubs etc. There is a public dance every week, and have been told that some one ^{is talking of} is getting up a minstrel show. I shall try and organize literary clubs etc, to encourage the reading of healthy literature of which there is a great lack in this valley. The people either read not at all or some that is worse than if they did not read at all. "Police Gazette" for instance.

I was called upon yesterday to unite a couple in matrimony. Although I have been here but three weeks the bride told me, no doubt that I would have more calls, as the younger folks did not like the other ministers here. I confess I felt a little flattered, but I hope I will not lose my ballance. This was my first, which I believe generally is considered an epoch in the starting out of a young minister. The Squire told me that I would get \$5.00, but he opened his eyes when I returned with a \$10.00. This is more than has been the custom to pay here.

I wish I had no cause to write of any thing else, but what has reference to the work here, of which I have material sufficient to write much more. But in an evil moment I uttered a thing which I soon after and ever since very much regretted. When I came to Florence I asked Mr. C. whether he was ever annoyed by the loss of mail East. I told him that members of the Board told me to register my letters or at least the first I wrote. He in a way laughed at that when I told him that Mr. A. of Tucson was the cause of the suggestion because the Board claimed that they could not get any or very few from him, and yet Mr. A. said he had written. Whereupon Mr. C. flashed up and began to abuse the board intimating that Mr. A. did write that the board received the letters but would pigeon hole them or did not pay any attention to them, etc, etc. These are not his words, but it is the substance of some of the things he said. Some of the things he said about the board roused me to defend it, and in the defeat, I told him that you, Mrs. Lord and the ladies of the 2nd. Presbyterian churches of Springfield, Ohio, complained of Mr. A's not noticing their correspondence. Mr. C. however went to such an extent in his defence of A. and throwing the blame upon other parties that, to show him that Mr. A. was either excentric or careless had been derelict of some of his business transactions in Colorado. This is the part I regret the most, for I involved you in the quarrel.

For it was you that told me of having to pay what you had gone his security and although you did not tell me not to tell I know you did not intend for me to tell. But C. and I were in a room alone, and you and others had spoken so highly of him, besides the letters I had received from him, that I did not think he would carry it further. But he not only told it to Mr. A. but seems to have put a very bitter construction upon it, quite different from what was said. He even told Mr. A. that I had no desire to see him, no sympathy for him, and this in the face of a verbal request, I made to Mr. C. to tell Mr. A. that I should be very happy to see him. I have the above facts from a very severe letter Mr. A. has written me, telling what Mr. C. reported to him. Mr. A. demanded of me the facts and also a confession. I wrote him a careful statement of the cause of my making the statements concerning him. Denied in having made them in the way in which he seems to think, I said them, or with intent to injure him. That Mr. C. was the only one to whom had been spoken to and as a good friend of his he would not become a "member of those slanders" of which he accused me. I told him that I felt that I had wronged you more than him. That was sure that if he had come to see me, as I had intended to do he would have seen things in a different light than that in which he seems to see them now. He threatened to push things to the bitter end, let them crush whom they will etc, but that if I could satisfactorily arrange it, we would not carry it further. I have not heard from him since, but I am sorry that I said any thing about it, as the members of the Board are able to take care of themselves.

I ask your pardon for betraying your confidence, also if you can suggest anything I ought to do, do not hesitate to tell me. Unless you are written to, keep things quiet. I was sorry to read of the trouble of this .

I hope to see you through here this winter.

Yours truly,

William Myer.

Baltimore, Md., September 26/78.

J. M. Reigart, Esq.
Denver,
Colorado.,

Dear Sir:-

Herein please find one dollar (\$1.00) Greenback No.

59386423 for which I will thank you to mail me , or to my address(100) one hundred of Mrs. Palmer's leaflets on the Zuni Women etc, for the use of the "Brown Memorial Sabbath School"of which I am superintendent.

Fraternally,

A. M. Carter.

Care 3rd. National Bank.

31 South St.

Baltimore, Md.

Laramie, September 26/78.

Dear Brother Jackson:-

Your note is now before me- In regard to the church at Rawlins, I am not in favor of giving it up. The proposition of selling it is a way I have of bringing matters to a head. I kept the Congregationalists quiet about Pueblo for some time by offering to use my influence to sell out to them. Money always weakens their zeal. I am about resigning here- probably will do so tonight at Prayer-meeting. I have an opening at Kearney Junction, and while there are no particular inducements held out, beyond a desire that I should take charge of the field- yet there is a wide door, for preaching the gospel to large numbers, now open at that place- I am little sorry to leave just now, as the results at Douglas Creek and at the Snowy Range, but a little to our left, are opening very largely and I was anxious to use my influence to keep them in the hands of christian man and not let them go to Scoffers and infidels as is the case of the California miners . And by the way, Mrs. H. has received a receipt for a tenth of a fifty today of the Telephone Mine; and should that turn out as expected we are going D. V. to take our revenge on the Board, for giving us \$400.00 a year and Cowhick \$300.00 by making them a donation of the first yeald, and Captain Lemon- a California expert and his accomplished daughter and large owner are going to help in the matter. That is they have so promised.

You and Cowhick served me a pretty trick. Had you sent me five words that the Board would ^{not} second Benton I would have saved just \$120.00 , solid dollars and improved the only opportunity I have ever had of doing anything for myself. But as H. Greely said about the duelists" Poor fellows they could not rise above their education and sur-

roundings". I cant blame you- You know I never had much faith in the disposition of Presbyterian ministers, and to help one another though I believe love them as bretheren. Still I will not forget the 99 favors because I failed on the 100th.

Well I suppose my labors are drawing to a close in Laramie. I have labored here with genuine soul travel for four years, but "the day had not dawned nor the day star arisen" and yet I have never had my work more thoroughly systematized nor had my strength better for its performances.

I have some times made, at the rate of a thousand visits a year, while very few have been the times indeed that my people have seen me preaching from aol manuscripts. There have been 37 additions to the church, 50 marriages, and as many baptisms. We have always observed the week of prayer and protracted the meetings for weeks after. The town is yearly visited by bible distributions, and has twice been gone over with the cottage prayer-meeting. But enough.

God bless you in New Mexico.

Yours in the Gospel,
W. E. Hamilton.

Lead City, Black Hills.,
September 23, 78.

Rev. Sheldon Jackson,
Dear Sir-

Yours of September the 13th, addresses to my husband came in due time. And as his time is well filled, I answer you in his place, in reference to having a minister sent here. Since I wrote to you, or rather to my brother, Rev. B. Mills about the matter, the Congregational bretheren have come in and taken up the field; there was a wide field for work, and I feel grieved that the Presbyterians were not here on the ground two years ago, as they ought to have been, and by this time would have been well established. But now there is no room for them, without crowding others, and of course that will not do.

We have some excellent people here, people of education, and some good christians. We are not all "head agents" and Indians as some suppose, and even then the gospel would be needed more than ever. I have met with quite a number of Presbyterians here, and even a year ago, Presbyterian church might have been organized, but all that have called themselves

Christians have now united in the congregational organization, and we have gone in with them, although I would much rather have seen a Presbyterian church here. I should have felt much more at home. There will doubtless in a few years be room for a few more churches here, not only in the hills, but in Lead City, as we are a growing community, and good substantial people are coming in as well as mean ones.

The Black Hills people are not near so bad, as outsiders think, we have law, and a good deal of order although it is over stepped some times, and we have no more meanness and chicanery than in the Eastern Cities, only there it is covered up, and here it is outside. As to the mining resources here tis No 1. and will in time compete with any of the other mining territories, if not go ahead, but development goes on slowly, for want of funds. A few capitalists could mark wonders.

Respectfully,

Mrs. Henry Hill.

23 Center Street, New York.,

September 23/73.

Dear Brother Jackson:-

First of all let me notify you that Mr. Eaton sent you money etc, yesterday to Fort Wingate- Hope you get it. As to Ealy, Mr. Eaton says if he wants money let him ask for it. He is old enough for that, which is pretty good law, of wide applications.

Your two letters from Jemes, and one previous, to Mrs. Kendall from home, and one sent her since, have all been received, and so one from Laguna I think.

I am glad you had so encouraging a meeting of Presbytery at Santa Fe. We have commissioned nearly all the nominees except Roberts Brother for Conejos- We are a little in doubt about that field. How would it do to try to put that man Bransby-the South American that you saw at the Assembly that Allen had in ^{now} into that part of the fields. He speaks better Spanish ^{probably} than any man we have ever had in New Mexico, and can speak English too-

I enclose you two circulars- What do you say to them?

Don't fail to put Peraltin possession of those facts I wrote you about, for Peralte etc, below Albuquerque

Mrs. Griffith's time is not out- She will receive the other \$150.00 in due time. The difficulty of appointing her as Bible Reader by our Board is that it would be another

new departure, and it would take our Board three months to determine whether it is in accordance with "the eternal fitness of things" namely Presbyterianism!

Mrs. Graham and I have counselled a grand counsel at Santa Fe after Mrs. Sharon gets there, to consist of her, Mrs. Griffith, Smith and Dr. Thomas-to determine about the occupancy of the house -expenses etc. You will hear about it when you come back and may help in it. What is best, all things considered?

Perhaps I ought not to trouble about Utah matters. All seems to go well except that Dr. D. J. McMillan has 50 applicants and can't make up his mind which three to choose for his teachers. As to Dr. Wilson and the Board, I can learn nothing- I have not half as much hope as you, and McNeice have.

We have now a committee of our Board wrestling with the Woman question- Drs. Paxton, Van Dyke, Hall, Hastings, Roberts, Stearns, Elders, Joy, and Kennedy. But something is coming out of it, I think. It is not yet through, but I think it is working well and will work out all right.

I am run down with callers this morning and can't think of anything.

Yours truly,
H. Kendall.

"At the September Meeting of the Board of Home Missions of the Presbyterian Church, the following action was taken on the applications from your Presbytery, (Utah)

	Date of Comm'n.	Amt. Asked.	Amt. Granted.
223 Centre St., New York, 9.23.1878.			
J. S. McMillan. - - - - -	9/15.78	1000	1000.
D. J. " - - - (added) - - -			200.
Mrs. J. S." - - - - -	9/15.78	400	300.
Miss. M. Fishback - - - - -	10/ 1.78	400	400.
" A. Noble - - - - -	11/ 5.78	300	300.
" P.H. Wheeler - - - - -		400	300.
Henry Bird - - - - -	4/ 1.78	300	300.

P. O. Box 3833.

(Postal card)

H. Kendall, Sec's.
Cyrus Dickson,

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"At the September Meeting of the BOARD OF HOME MISSIONS of the PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH, the following action was taken on the applications from your Synod."

#23 Centre St., New York, 9/23.78.	Date of	Amt.	Amount
	Comm'n.	Asked	Granted.
J. M. Roberts.	9.1.78.	1000	1000.
J. Menaul.	10.1.78.	400	400.
J. A. Annin.	10.1.78.	1000	1000.
J. J. Perea.	10.1.78.	300	300.
P. C. Callegos.	10.1.78.	500	300.
V. F. Romero.	10.1.78.	500	500.
J. D. Mondragon.	10.1.78.	500	500.
M. E. Roberts.	9.1.78.	500	500.
L. P. Annin	10.1.78.	500	400.
R. T. "	9.1.78.	500	400.
Mrs. Griffith,			
J. A. Roberts, Referred.			
J. Argueta.			
C. S. Richards.	7.23.78	300	300.
W. P. Teitworth.	5.15.78	900	300.

P. O. Box 3633.
(Postal card)

H. Kendall, Sec's.
Cyrus Dickson,

Leadville, Colorado., October 1/78.

Dear Doctor:-

I have delayed answering yours from New Mexico until I could write more definitely as to church prospects. At present we are waiting developements. Teh lots which Mr. Stevens promised us proved to be away out toward the suburbs, and clearly not the place to put a church. We will probably have to buy, as the case now stands. The lots on Harrison Ave. have all been taken up by jumpers. Suit is to be brought by the Leadville land Im'ot Co., shortly so that if they are successful we can obtain a good lot from them about cost. Our subscription now amounts to about \$700.00 to \$800.00, and father promises to send \$300.00 from the East. So that if we had a suitable lot we could begin building forthwith. I have been preaching every Sunday, generally at the M. E. church and three times at the Adelaid mine in Stray Horse Gulch.

My letter of dismission from the class at home ar-

rived last week so that I will come to Presbytery to be examined for ordination as an evangelist. This is especially necessary since Father Hamilton expects to leave town and go down the valley to winter. So that I will have no one within 60 miles to administer the sacraments. I will go to Presbytery via, Canon, which is as cheap as any route, I leave on Thursday next stopping at Poncha, over Sabbath, and going on from there next Wednesday or Thursday. So that I can look over some Hebrew in Denver before going to college. I long to get into our town church in order to get the people together which seems impossible almost under the present circumstances. However I am trying to go as God leads me which I know is best.

Harry L. Janeway.

 Manlius, New York., October 3/78.

Mr. John M. Reigart:-

Dear Sir:-

The Missionary Society of the Trinity Presbyterian Church of Manlius New York, have collected and sent to Rev. H. R. Wilson, D. D. fifty dollars (\$50.00) for the Zuni Mission. Will you please forward to us at the earliest opportunity the two photographs and the piece of pottery (Pueblo) which we are entitled to.

Sec. of Ladie's Miss. Soc.

Manlius, New York.

Yours truly,

Mary C. Morley.

 Animas, City, Colorado., October 4/78.

Dear Brother Jackson:-

Your very kind letter from Laguna is at hand, your encouraging words do my soul good.

You say truly, when you say that the word "fail" is not in my vocabulary, but my weakest point you now know, when you know (as my letters convinced) know I weaken before that I cannot remedy. We are moving ahead at building- have a bill of lumber out, have stone hauled on to our lots, have made out for six very eligible lots on a street of great promise, where we can raise shade trees, and which commands a view of the entire town and valley. Will go as far as our subscriptions will permit -

Have not heard from or received anything from the Board of Church Erection yet, nor from Brother Bliss-Can't understand why. We must not fail to get that money nor to soon get an encouraging word that we will. So far my own word has done

the people with what you have written. We have not received the blanks you sent.

I see Presbytery meets October 13th. I hope Presbytery will not go back on us. I am done for here if I am not sustained.

Many thanks for your occasionally publishing my letters. It helps us. I will soon write a letter to the Interior and one to the Banner- We want a bell for our new church.

I read with pleasure your description of the Cliff houses on the Mancos, and of the Animas ruins. There is a mistake as to the dimentions of the Animas ruins-yet not by you, but by Haydon. I was down there a short time ago- They are about 300X600 not 6.000. Excuse me for calling attention to it.

Week from next Sabbath I preach at the Los Pinos. Preach once a month on the Florida. Had prayer meeting there last Sabbath.

Many thanks for R. M. P. I could offer put several in a good place if I had them. However I ought not to say anything. Will not my regards to your kind family. I wrote twice to Brother Reid, twice to Brother Bliss but no response. Am sorry you can't see us. The people are disappointed.

Yours in Christ,

W. C. Beebe.

Norton, Kansas., October 7/78.

Rev. Sheldon Jackson,
Dear Brother:-

When I left your pleasant home last spring, I promised you that I would write you a letter, and to make words mean something as they ought always to do, you may find this letter.

The present finds me at Norton, the county seat of Norton County, where we have had a little church organization of seventeen members for some time. Dr. Hill wished me to come here, and so I did in this far north west of Kansas, and I am not sorry, I hope to accomplish something here.

The people are coming in here fast, and are settling up the country and the gospel must follow them and be brought to their new homes. Norton is a little place about Monument Colorado. yet its prospects for the future are better in the center of a good agricultural country. To be sure we are some distance from the rail-road, at present 75 miles to the K. P. and 80 miles to the U. P. but we will have a rail-road

here soon. The climate is healthy and the crops have been good this season, we have had plenty of rain.

We are going to build a church this fall yet. I see it up in my mind with the spire pointing up to heaven. The cost shall not be over a thousand dollars (\$1.000) and as I told the people it must be cosy and neatly furnished, inspiring adoration as one enters.

It can therefore not be too large, we will build twenty feet wide, and thirty-two long with Gothic windows three on each side and two in front with a double door between them. We are greatly in need of a church, the court house is very uncomfortable for the winter, and the school house is not much better.

I enjoy my work very much, and it gives me great pleasure and satisfaction to bring the gospel to the frontier settlement where they are most in need of it. I have long since learned that one must pay much attention to the little things of life to accomplish anything great.

May these lines find you all well and happy. I thankfully remember the kindness received while in your house.

Wishing you all well, I remain,

Yours fraternally,

John A. Hahn.

Bozeman, Montana-----, Octoberg /78.

Dear Brother Jackson:-

Last Monday morning I rode down the valley and called on Brother Crittendon and family, and enjoyed a pleasant visit.

I consider myself more highly favored than the other members of this Presbytery, in that Brother C. is only 17 miles away. If Brother Hewitt or Russell want a social chat with a Presbyterian Brother Minister, they must travel 45 miles: while Brother Cook of Missoula must go over 150 miles.

The church building which Brother C. has been erecting is advancing, and they hope that it will be ready for dedication before the year closes. The work remaining to be done consists of plastering, placing the window-sashes, and the front doors, and furnishing. The seats- pulpit- chairs and glass are at Fort Benton on the Missouri river. Mr. C. is anxious about getting them over before the freighting season closes. The cost of this building when completed and furnished with seats- pulpit and chairs, and stoves will be \$23.000. Of this amount our Board of Church Erection furnish \$500.00. The stoves and pipe will cost about \$100.00. We might say that the church unfurnished is nearly paid for, but the

furnishing of it immediately throws the valley folks in debt to the amount of \$500.00 or more. The question before them is, How shall these payments be met when they become due? Some good soul has presented them with a large bible for the pulpit. Is there any one that will pay for the pulpit desk itself? or is there any one that will pay for one of the stoves or for both of them. One of the elders down there told me that he intended to try to get an organ for the church this coming winter. I hope that he will be successful. This is the week for the Gallatin Valley Female Seminary to open, it is quite probable that this school will close at the holidays. Education has made a wonderful advancement in Montana during the past three years. Our leading towns are proud of their ~~fine~~ brick school building. The people of Deer Lodge have been enterprising the past season, and ~~are~~ open this fall their Collegiate Institute.

Bozeman has just taken ^{new} ~~an~~ departure. A large brick building has been erected since I came to Bozeman: and not our public school has opened with four talented teachers, and one hundred and twenty five scholars, and a prospect of more. So soon as harvest is over. These steps have had their effect upon our religious and private schools, their missions seem closed for the present. They have done their work, fulfilled the grand design for which they were organized, and will therefore rest from their labors, the Episcopal Parish school of Bozeman closed this summer. Mr. Crittenden school will close in December next.

But one of these days something higher will be demanded by the people, probably within the next five years the public schools must advance as much as they have during the last five years or we must have private or denominational school of a high grade. A young Nassau Hall and a young Mt. Holyoke Seminary. Who shall have the ability and desire to do this grand work which lies before us?

Montana has not a few children in Eastern Seminaries, and Colleges today.

I have received a few copies of the R. M. Presbyterian which I have enjoyed reading and hope that I may be able to show it some day in a substantial way.

Your Brother in Christian work
C. L. Richards.

Laguna, Valencia Co. New Mexico.,
October 9/78.

Dear friend Dr. Jackson:-

I got home from Zuni on the 7th inst. I could do nothing more but staying. Mr. Burgess was going to Santa Fe and I came with him to Laguna. We met Dr. Ealy and family and Miss Gates, three miles from Laguna, they hoped to reach Zuni

by Saturday night, two weeks later than was expected. There could be nothing done to the house right away or till Dr. Ealy gets there. There is no use attempting to get the Zuni's work for pay. You never could satisfy them, and to build by their paid labor would cost three or four times as much as by American labor. Perhaps they will bring in the Vigas etc, and the lumber from Wingate. Mr. Burgess will put up the house cheaper than he can get it done otherwise. He will make and lay the adobes for \$15.00 a thousand. I told Dr. Ealy he had better employ Mr. Burgess just as soon as he found out that the indians were not setting about the work, or when he (Burgess) returns from Santa Fe. I send you receipts and letters. I have a great deal of work on hand just now and many receipts to make.

Your fast freight is about one day ahead of Dr. Ealy. Mr. Perea will not get fat in the meantime.

Kind regards to Mrs. Jackson.

Your servant in Christ,
John Menaul.

P. S. Push through on post-office affair.

Hillsboro, Ohio., October 10/78.

Mr. John M. Reigart,
Dear Sir:-

I sent to the Rev. H. R. Wilson on the last of October \$15.00 for the Pueblo and Navajao Missions. Please send a certificate of stock to Mary Springer, Hillsboro.

Shenandoah, Pa. October 10th, 78.

John M. Reigart, Esq.
Dear Brother:-

I remitted to Rev H. R. Wilson, D. D. five dollars and seventeen cents, (\$5.17) from our Sabbath School, for Pueblo and Navajo Mission buildings.

I want 45 certificates.

Yours very truly,
Fred. F. Kolb..

Woman's Presbyterian Missionary Society of Scotch Grove, Jones County, Iowa.

October 10/78.

Mr. John M. Reigart,
Box 2.813

Denver, Colorado.

This Soccoety has sent to Rev. H. R. Wilson Mission House #23 Centre Street, New York, \$10.00 as a ~~writing~~ contribution the the Zuni Mission Buildings among the Pueblos New Mexico. We wish this money tp pay for a doos or windows,

and we wish to have a certificate to that effect.

Mrs. L. M. Rice. Pres.

Miss Lelia Sutherland. (Sec)
Scotch Grove, Jones Co, Iowa.

Fort Wrangel, Alaska., October 11/78.

Rev. Sheldon Jackson D. D.

Dear Brother:-

Your's of August 29th is just received. I suppose you are home from New Mexico some time ago. I thank you so much for the interest you take in me and for the trouble you take to assist me. My last letter will answer several things you write in this one. The first of August I sent my report to the Board, and stated that there was \$180.00 due me, which I stood on great need of, and asked them to forward it immediately. I also sent the bill of school expenses, as nothing had been paid Mr. Vanderbilt since the first of February.

This mail I received a letter from Dr. Kendall, the following sums have been sent to you, or on your account since you sent to Fort Wrangel.

October 10th, 1877.-----	\$550.00
November 30th, 1877.-----	\$100.00
February 9th, 1878.---(To Sheldon Jackson, I think)	\$ 51.00
June 18th, 1878.-----	\$200.00
July 17th, -----(Special)-----	\$ 10.00
Total-----	\$711.00

Why it has not reached you is indeed a mystery, and how you have lived is another. This money with the exception of the \$50.00 and the \$10.00 I think has all been sent, and through Dr. Lindsley, supposing that to be the safest way.

Now, what do you think of all this? It simply seems to me an outrage. I have written Dr. Kendall a letter trying to explain the matter to him, and asking him to send me what is due me, and also requesting him hereafter to send my salary direct to me. Dr. K. says, "we stand ready to send Miss Dunbar". I wrote to Dr. Lindsley in June about it, but got no response. But from what you say, I think we will send her along"

Mrs. Lindsley writes "immediately on the receipt of Mr. Youngs letter, my husband wrote for the Board to commission Miss Hancock, and Miss Slosen at once for Alaska"

Miss Hancock is his niece, and I presume Miss Slosin is too. They do not mention Miss Dunbar. I hope she will be started before this letter reaches the board.

I have moved into the Hospital building this week, and expect some girls tomorrow. I am not at all well, and as

it is now nearly one o'clock in the morning I must stop writing and have a little rest.

Poor Mr. Vanderbilt is still in bed, but getting better slowly. The school is moved into the Garrison too.

Mr. Young is very busy.

Yours sincerely,
A. R. McFarland.

Waterbury, Conn, October 11/78.

Mr. John M. Reigart;-

Please forward a certificate of stock in the Missionaries house in New Mexico. The appeal for which was in the evangelist of three weeks ago.

The sum of one dollar is contributed by the members of the family, and the certificate may be made out in the families name- Cairng.

Respectfully yours,
S. H. Cairns.

Fairplay, Colorado. October 12, 1878.

To Dr Jackson,
Denver,

Dear Brother:-

I received your kind note forwarding me cards to secure permits one half fare as far as St Louis in the permit I have from Denver to K. City is all right it extends to December 31st, and is an annual permit.

I forward the card to Mr Lord of St Louis and request him to forward the permit to me at Denver in your care my brother William of Kentucky will send me a check also to your care: these will of course be received with your mail matter and I can get them when I call at your house between the 26th, and 29th, inst.

When I stop in Denver would like to see you and tell you more about this field than I could write but will try to see Brother Kerr and talk with him. You will please change the address of R. M. Pres. to _____ City, Pa.

Your very truly,
C. Moore.

P. S. I thank you for your kindness to me. (Postal)

Odgen City Utah, October 14th, 1878.

Dear Brother:-

Yours received. I will be glad to write the " appeal" We must do something to interest the East in us or we will die a natural death. You have probably seen the appeal to the Church from this territory. We will receive with thanks the box you mentioned. On September 29th, we organized a church

with twenty members. Except kind regards from Mrs. Gallagher and myself.

Franklin, Ohio. September 28th, 1878.

Dear Brother Jackson:-

I have received and delivered an invitation to act as soliciting agent for the Central City Church-My name being suggested by yourself- thanks to you but I could not under take it:

Mrs. G and I have been much interested in the last number of the R. M. Pres. You deserve credit for it- it suddenly occurred to me this evening that I might help you and the cause by appeals for aid to erect a house at Zuni. I think I could if authorized raised \$2,000. at least I might be willing to under take it I have not considered the matter long but Mrs. G. and I have thought favorably of the suggestion as we have talked the matter over this evening. Could you in any way pledge expenses so that every cent that I raised could be turned over to the board?

Churches and Sunday schools could thus be credited with the full amount of their contributions. It would very much help me if I could say as much to those addressed. What do you think of the matter? I have been kept near home on account of my wife's condition (anticipated confinement with a very sick pregnancy) which has made it undesirable to be from home far or long.

I hope however to be able to move more freely now shortly. So I hope to hear from you soon.

Those Pueblo missions could be talked up easily and effectively. I would not ask a better subject. Should I under take this work how could I best post my-self. What book would it pay to read? In my missionary addresses I have found minister and Church much interested in the Zuni's etc. I had gathered facts from Mr. Terry and others who visited them.

Tho not settled I am employed every Sabbath.

Regards to Mrs. J.

Your brother.

John Gage.

(copy)

Denver, Colorado, October 7, 78.

Dear Brother Gage:-

Terms of September 28th, kindly offering to canvas for Zuni and the Pueblo missions, is received with thanks. If I understand your proposition, it is, that you will give your time, if ~~each~~ I can provide for your traveling and incidentals expenses. If this is correct I am able to guarantee your expenses to the amount of \$200.00. and perhaps by the time that is used up I can obtain more. If you are ready to ~~send~~ undertake it is above, please telegraph me, that I

may send you the necessary documents, pottery, wooden prayers, idol etc, before leaving for Montana.

Plead not for Zuni alone, but for Zuni, Laguna, Jemez (pronounced Ha - Math) we need about five thousand dollars, \$5.000 for the ^{three} Pueblos. My paper will give you the most information on the subject. I can furnish you three hundred or four hundred copies of October number, also you might send to Harper Brothers New York for a \$1.50 book of theirs called "El Gringo" on New Mexico and her people, by W. W. H. Davis".

I am writing a series of news-paper articles, on the subject that will help your canvas. I am duly appointed by the Presbytery of Santa Fe to make these collections and I can deputize you. I feel that the Lord's hand is in your offer and that his blessing will go with you. I will also furnish to you "The Public offer made of photographs pottery and certificates."

Please telegraph me if you will undertake it.

Kind regards, and etc.
To Rev. L. Gage,
Franklin, O.

S. Jackson.

Franklin, Ohio, October 14/78.

Dear Brother Jackson:-

I telegraphed you Saturday, I could "accept" with slight conditions". The conditions are the privilege to withdraw if I find it best to do so, and also if I go East or devote Sabbaths to service here, remuneration to the amount of \$5.00 per week, to cover Mrs. G's board.

I could not give my time and wear and tear of wardrobe and still be out for my wifes board. I shall have to include that with incidental expenses. It is possible that I may not be able to go East, but I told Mrs. G. that I could doubtless work up Cincinnati and Dayton, and probably go to Bell-fountain and Cleveland and all of which would justify the sending of pottery and idols. And in all probability I can go East and give two months or more for solid work. I want to go if possible (and probably I can do so), to Cincinnati Synod- I ~~told~~ laid the cause before the Sabbath school yesterday, and secured promises, and got one church collection- so you see I am at work. If I can count on \$5.00 per week as part of necessary incidental expenses- let me know.

I'll work up the churches around here any how.

I am very tired, slept but little last night.

Regards to Mrs. Jackson.

Bro. John L. Gage.

Animas, City, Colorado. October 15/78.

Dr. Jackson,

Dear Brother:- I now write to you enclosing one dollar (\$1.00)

which, if you can do so, I wish you would send me its value in two sizes of reward cards for the Sabbath school scholars.

I am trying to induce the scholars to learn to recite the Apostolic creed, as a part of our exercise, also scripture texts etc. I will soon introduce the catechism- It has been quite well recited throughout by one of the girls-

I think our building will be inclosed by the first of November. Have not heard from Dr. Wilson, of New York yet.

Preached at Los Pinos last Sabbath, after preaching here in morning, it was a ride of twenty miles- had nice large and attentive audience there. It is or soon will be a field worthy of attention.

I took the liberty of referring parties who would like to learn of my field by three months report to Missionary Societies in the return for aid to you, for my address at Sitka.

You may not understand this remark so I will explain. I wrote to the Interior and banner at the suggestion of a lady correspondent, saying that if any missionary society or Sunday School took the trouble to send us reading matter in material quantity or if such Society would contribute to the building of our church, I would acknowledge their kindness by making a quarterly report to them of points of interest here for the space of one year.

Then I referred them for further information to you. It was taking some liberty but I hope you can deal with it.

Yours in Christ,

W. C. Beebe.

Zuni Pueblo., New Mexico, October 15/78.

Dear Dr. Jackson:-

We arrived here all very well on Saturday last, Oct. 12th, just at the closing exercises of a Devil's Dance. The noise was hideous. Perhaps there were one hundred people looking at us from the roofs. One of our drivers said he did not want to stay long in this town.

We got our stove up, and got some tea, had four indians to sup with us, and then being tired, we prepared our beds on the stone floor and laid down. All slept very well, did not feel afraid and were not molested in the least.

Sabbath the 13th, called a meeting, about sixty came, we had our room well filled with smoke, we thought they would stay all night. Monday the 14th, we put four indians at the well. They dug all day, and the sweat rolled off them. Did not get water- we think water can be reached today. Four are just starting to dig. The Governor says nothing will be done untill water is found. Then plenty will go to work.

I had the honor to present the Governor and Padre

Pino the cords and tassels. Some want money and some take goods for work to pay them a dollar a day, and they board themselves. Tomorrow I expect to put twenty to work if we find water today, but the supply will soon run out if we keep a strong force on the building. A box of soap, of chewing tobacco, of candles, and a sack of coffee, and one of sugar we could trade very well. Mrs. Ealy says if some church will send her a sewing machine and goods she will make all the children who come to school two suits. We have wool, sulphurena, but it is not the color they want. Scarlet wool they want. Red, silk and cotton handkerchiefs pretty large, they want, ~~they want~~ a good pair of scales, would be of great service to me, and they would that I was dealing more fairly with them.

After studying about the house I have to build it well as I go, first dig out all the foundations so as to make a good celler under the whole house-four rooms and hall on first floor, and four rooms and hall on second follr, I can get all the hands I want. By building the house two story of stone it will give more room and take less roof. Do you not think a tin roof would be the best? It would be the most satisfactory and if the necessary tools are sent with the tin, Perea and myself can put it on. The days are very fine for working now, we work early and late.

I will buy the groceries you forwarded for your own use and pay you as soon as I get the money; it will not be longer than spring, if so long.

We are making an inventory of your groceries, and will send you an order on Board before long. You ask for an order on Board for my transfer from Anton Chico to Zuni-That I cannot give for you promised to pay my (our) expenses, which are \$165.00.

The indians want some money as well as goods and without money it will not be easy to get along. Most all of those I have paid off have asked for money.

Today we have water, 17th. Tomorrow I will try to wall it up- The frame P & me put up- The rope wheels and buckets are doing good servise- It is now about 20 ft, and we will sink it perhaps one foot more.

Met Dr. Menaul just after we left Laguna in sight of the town. You told me that I would not need to bring any tools, that Dr. Menaul would lend me his, but he left nothing here. An augur saw, drawing knife, chisel, stone-hammer, trowel etc we absolutely need- I have found pitched paper which I take it is, for the roof it so we ~~will~~ need say nothing of the tin.

18th. The foundation is dug out, we are ready for the masons. A great many stones are on the ground, hauled on wagons- Burros and carried on the mens back, we will finish walling the well tomorrow, I am doing that. The water is very

cool and good.

The indians want light red flannel- want two yards for \$1.00. Wish we had it now.

T.F. Faly.

Middagh, Northampton, Co., Pa.
October 15th, 1878.

Mr. Reigart:-

I have forwarded today to Rev. H. R. Wilson New York for the Pueblo Mission, three dollars, and sixty cents, (\$3.60) from the Sunday school of Lower Mt. Bethel, Presbyterian church, Pa.

Below you will find names of children contributing. Send certificate, to M. D. H. Price, Martind Creek, Northampton Co, Pa.

"Names".

Gilbert Kiefer. - - - - -	10¢
William Steel. - - - - -	10¢
Mary Steel. - - - - -	10¢
Harry Middagh. - - - - -	10¢
Frank Mench. - - - - -	10¢
Sarah Alice Depue. - - - - -	10¢
Allie Rohn. - - - - -	10¢
Elmer P. Snyder. - - - - -	10¢
Lizzie Depue. - - - - -	10¢
G. Earnest Holloway. - - - - -	20¢
Nellie Holloway. - - - - -	10¢
Miscellaneous. - - - - -	\$2.10¢
Total - - - - -	\$3.60¢

Du Quoin, , Ill., October 16th, 1878.

John M. Reigart,
Box 2815,
Denver, Colorado.

Dear Sir:-

I behalf of the Du Quoin Presbyterian Sunday school I have this day remitted to Rev. H. R. Wilson, New York, five dollars, (\$5.00) amounr collected in our Sunday school for Pueblo and Navajo Mission buildings.

Please send fifty certificates of stock in accordance with your notice published in the Herald and Presbyter of September 18th.

Yours truly,

L. B. Skinner,
Lib. and Sec't Du
Pres, S. S.

Fort Wrangle, Alaska., October 17/78.

Dear Brother Jackson:-

I was so sick when I wrote you last week that I hardly know what I did write. As I have an opportunity to send letters to Victoria, I thought I would write again.

I am feeling much better but not well. My girls are contented and happy. I fear you may think I did wrong to take these girls, without first having their support pledged me, but I could not do otherwise than I have done. I dared not put off even for another week. One little girl of fourteen (who was in school all last year) I heard was about to be taken up the river, by her heathern mother to be sold. I took Mrs. Dickson and went to see about her. (They lived on Shooks Island) When we got down to the point we found the tide so high we could not get over. We called and Katy came over in a canoe. I sent her back for her mother, she came over and I sat on a rock an hour and a half, (the rain pouring down all the time) talking to them. Finally the mother promised not to take the little girl away. But the next week the mother went off, and did all she could to make Katy go with her. A gentlemen who was on the beach when they started told me he heard the mother threatening the little girl with the most terrible things if she did not get in the canoe, the child crying and begging all the time. Just when they were ready to start Katy started off, saying "You may kill me", but I will never go! Another bright little girl of 12 years coming begging me to go and see her mother, said her mother wanted to let a white man have her. Said he had been after her, but she wanted to be good. I could write you just such cases all day. Of course I feel much anxiety about the means to carry on the work, but I believe that it will come. I know I will have a great struggle for awhile, if some christian who has the means would send me \$100.00 to buy my wood for the winter it would be a great relief. I hope by next mail to hear from several societies, who are willing to assume the support of one girl. We are hoping soon to open a reading room for white men and will be glad of all reading matter we can get, both religious, and circular.

Mr. Young is very busy doing all he can to get subscriptions on the ground for church building.

Your fellow laborer in mission work,
A. R. McFarland.

Washington, D. C. October 19/78.

Rev. Sheldon Jackson,
Dear Brother:-

I take pleasure in enclosing to you trip passes covering lines from Alomosa to Santa Fe, and annual from Fort Worth, Texas; to Zuni and Santa Fe, to Tuscon, they have been cheerfully granted in each case, and I trust they may be of much service to you. We are in comfortable health, though Mrs.

French is not feeling entirely well. She has been overworked and especially over worried, for several months on account of servantism.

We have now however, as we hope secured a good and faithful servant and hope to get along better. I have been very busy, during the past two weeks, both in and out of the office.

An American Turk, whom we met in Florida last winter came to us two weeks ago in the very last stages of consumption. I got him into the hospital, cared for him, and day before yesterday buried him. His was an interesting case. He was a convert of the American missionaries in Constantinople many years ago, but had been for thirteen years an importing merchant in New York, until his health failed. But I cannot now give you his full history.

In haste,

Very truly yours,
J. L. French.

Martinsburg, Ohio, October 19/78.

Mr. J. M. Reigart,
Dear Sir:-

I have just sent \$5.00 to Rev. H. R. Wilson for Pueblo church building, which secures three shares each to the following names,

Fred Kromer.
Louie Huston.
Willis Gilmer.
Daisy Harriman.
Clarence Harriman.
Kitty Alsdorf.
Mamie Finney.
Emma Demach.
Cora Dush.
Charlie Boyd.

Other classes in our school will devote their collection to same purpose.

Anna F. Davis,
Martinsburg, Knox Co.,
Ohio.

Pueblo, Colorado, October 19/78.

Dear Brother:-

Yours of day before yesterday, received this morning.

I would favorably consider a proposition to go to Laramie. Let the church write me what they will do, and if they want me- I should want some information about cost of house rent, board, etc. Will it be necessary for me to go to Laramie? first. Don't want to if I can help it. And the cost of such a trip would be a consideration, write me as soon as practicable- Mrs. H. sends thanks for your kind regards.

Your brother in Christ,
C. A. Hahn.

Zuni, Pueblo, New Mexico, October 21/78.

Dr. Jackson.

I Have been so busy since arriving, that I did not go to the office. To send I am not able as an Indian wants \$5.00. We have some little prospect of getting the Post- Office in Zuni. Tomorrow I am going to the Ft & P.O. wish I could hear from you right soon. Am sorry you, Manual and Peres all could not get a few adobes made while here. You two weeks, Manual three, and Rerea nearly four. In a week I got the well finished, and the foundation dug out, and stone enough for the masons to begin work. But now I must start on the hunt of masons. But remember, we need help soon- The indians want to go for the lumber but I am not willing to the price they ask, \$36.00 for three wagons. Perhaps I can get wagons cheaper at Cranes or over in that region. I will try tomorrow, and if I cannot then will start the wagons immediately on my return. It will take four days to go, and four to come. They want seven yards of muslin for a dollar- we have traded off that which was left ^{here} cut the rooms.

Today we opened school with 20 present, all boys. Miss G. taught. I will not be able to go and teach the school for a while. The girls and women often come into our house.

Think I can easily get them into school. It will cost \$20.00 for stone as near as I can get at it. It took a great many stones to wall it up, about 25 ft, is the depth of it. I will add about \$4.00 for lumber for awhile. a box. It must be covered. Just now the thought struck me that I could make a box and cover out of a store box which would answer very well for present use until I get a steam saw-mill.

*Well. - - - - -	For stone - - - - -	\$20.00
	Labor - - - - -	\$16.00
	Total. - - - - -	\$36.00

P. S. If I cant get Masons , will but a trowel and stone hammer , and try my hand at it. Well let ^{us} hear from you, Good-night.

T. F. Ealy.

Zuni, New Mexico., October 21st, 1878.

Rev. Sheldon Jackson, D. D.

Dear Brother:-

We forgot to send your pistol cartridges. I kept your clothes, coat and vest. I did not leave Las Vegas prepared to stay so long at Zuni. I wear out a good many clothes here working as we are. Today I went down the well, and send up mud, and I came out all muddy. It amused the indians very much. The work of the house seems to be progressing very well. Please let me know what your suit is worth, in order to remit to you the amount.

I have not yet given a single lesson in Spanish as

We have been so busy. I fear that the Board will delay my quarterly pay, because I have been unable to send up my report. Will you be kind enough and may I trouble you to explain it to the Board in a few words? I send you my report by this mail.

Yours most fraternally,
Jose Yues Perea.

Animas City, October 21st, 1878.

Dear and kind Brother:-

Saturday your good letter came, bearing with it one which I meant should reach the son-in-law of Rev. William Howard D. D. (deceased)

I sincerely thank you for your kindnesses, although nothing particular was consumed in the mistake except embarrassment and delay- I never made but one such mistake before.

How as to your kind admonitions as to "parties, and cliques" etc? Indeed I have always held myself above these things. I make it a rule to discourage all gossip, party talk and influence. I exercise my right to citizenship and manhood as I deem this my independent right and duty.

I do not know yet or from what source it came to you, that I refused to offer prayer on the 4th of July. It is enough to say- laying aside my christian feeling as to it then, that so far as the result was concerned the wisdom of my course had not been impeached. God seems to be on my side as to it. You do not know all the attending circumstances or I feel sure that you would not hold any doubt as to me and my actions.

The saloon-keeper and I are and have been on good terms-he has subscribed \$25.00 to the church since then. He did not ask me to pray on that day. My church members were with me on the point and are of the same opinion still, it gave them strong faith and courage to wait the dance and to stand out for Christ.

Neither have I lost the friendship of those addicted to liquor or the gambling table.

This town, by the way, now seems on liquor shall not a place in town but deals out the stuff.

So far as our building is concerned I am trying to be as conscienceous as I can.

We only got our blank forms of application in last mail- too late for Presbytery-but I will send it to you filled out, and you can give it to the proper ones. Mal D. S. Sheets, Ed. Ray, and John Lalli were our trustees.

My audience have been uniformly good, both in attention and numbers. Received \$70.50 for trip out here. Have not received September appointment yet. My confidence and good heart does not wane. Preached at Los Pinas yesterday week.

Yours in Christ,

I preach next Sabbath in a dance hall over a whisky saloon,

no other place until the church is built. Have stone and ground for a new church. Also lumber bill, will be out this week, have all collected pretty much except the work subscribed. I do ask pardon if my frequent letters trouble you, yours are a great encouragement to me.

With kind regards to all your family, my friends and brethren.

I almost forgot to tell you that I have secured in writing the promise of a lot for a church, and Parsonage in Pagosa Pagosa Springs, as soon as a town is laid out there, which will be soon. Whenever any money transactions are necessary here it can be done by Post Office order.

Yours in the same faith,
W.C.

Santa Fe, New Mexico, October 21/78.

Dear Brother Jackson, :-

Your letter concerning Brother Ealy's overcoat, and bedding came this morning. I will attend to the business. Our people are at work like beavers to build a new church. It is possible the M. F. Church will send a man to Santa Fe. If he can get hold of the brainless, emotional, capricious element, which is essentially un-Prebyterian and Methodistical, I shall rejoice. A Methodist church will not hurt us. On the contrary every good man who works for Christ wisely helps the great cause.

But we must be the first to erect a new building. We must draw what money we can get from the town for this purpose before our Methodist friends set a similar project on foot. Can you get us a hundred or two anywhere? We expect to get an earnest and strong backing in Rochester, New York. Some of our people here will be liberal. An oyster supper will probably be given this week to help the enterprise. There is better feeling and more enthusiasm in our congregation, I think, than I have known at any time heretofore.

Prof. Strieby, of the Academy is an important and accession to the congregation. Mrs. Sharon, who has come to take charge of the school, will be exceeding useful to our cause I think.

I want to get married in December if possible, but there are reasons to fear, I may come short about \$200.00, of the amount I require to justify my doing so, in which case I must wait till February or March.

Mother and Mattie expect to set out week after next, early, on their return to Pittsburg. Is it possible and right to get them a half fare over the D & R, G.R. rail-road, if so, could you work the matter and send me the order at once?

Can you also send me soon that letter of Dr. Ellinwood's to the Western Missionary Society. I fear I have not the copy you sent me, where I can easily find it.

Kindest regard of us all to your self and Mrs. Jackson,
Yours fraternally
George G. Smith.

Canton, Stark Co., Ohio, October 21/78.

J. W. Reigart:-
Dear Sir:-

The Canton Presbyterian Sabbath school-Presbyterian Synod of Cleveland has contributed \$25.00 (Pueblo and Navajo Missionary Buildings) I have just enclosed a draft for the amount to the Rev. Dr. Wilson \$10.00 of this was voted from our treasury and are to pay for "a door", the remaining \$15.00 was given by contributions. Much of it from our little ones in the shape of 10¢ for an "adobe" brick. We will require about 80 certificates of stock in order to supply these little contributors. We will also be entitled to a photograph of one of the Pueblo buildings. You may send both the photograph and the certificates to my address.

Yours very truly,

Rev. W. J. Park.

Canton, Stark Co, O.

Sitka, Alaska, October 22/78.

Rev. Sheldon Jackson D. D.
Dear Sir:-

As I am about leaving this place for a new field, I wish to thank you for your kind remembrance of me, through Mr. Prady's letters, also for the receipt of the Rocky Mountain Presbyterian, as it is received at Fort Wrangel. My copy I trust will give some other individual as much profit and pleasure as it gave me. Though so far away from every friend my life here for the past seven months has been a happy, and I hope not an unprofitable one. I am greatly encouraged though this feeling is denied from small services, yet the advancement is not so slight, but that it is noticed and commented upon by outsiders, I can say without boasting, that the school has been a success. The advancement of the scholars surprises every one. Doing the hot weather the school was small, but not it is filling up again. The scholars have been very irregular in their time of attendance, some discovered that the older ones were much interested in their writing, as they are anxious to become like American men. So I have fixed that for the first exercise in the morning after the opening ones, Telling them if they were not in time, they would lose their lesson. Consequently I have very little tardiness. Many of them are writing words, as far as possible I give them object words, make each one spell the copy all out and pronounce the English. Then give them the word in Indian, so that they may be interested understand what they are writing. After having a dozen lines they know some of the English words, they

are stimulated to do well, as the one who takes the most pains, gets a straight line drawing lesson, or inventive drawing. Two young men who were absent last summer, are now in the multiplication tables, but have skipped subtraction as with a little exercise on the black-board can show them easily it is only a ~~sipl~~ simple form of addition. The same ones have a perfect understanding of the Roman notation, can write and tell me the most difficult numbers I give them. Each Friday morning we have a singing school. Last week I told them they would not be American men until they could whistle "Yankee Doodle". They caught the air very quickly, they are extremely fond of music, and have learned the air of many of the Yankee Hymns. "Come to Jesus" there is so much repetition they know the english quite well. A week ago Sunday seemed like old times, the benches were nearly all full, all gave good attention and seemed interested. Thirty-three remained at the Sabbath school in five Sabbaths they committed the first two verses of the 25rd, Psalm. This I considered quite an achievement, as the english was repeated perfectly by those who could not speak another word, except in indian. We have had a funeral and a wedding "Jack" his had a bad reputation, but he is a very good natural indian, and since the interesting ceremony he calls himself a christian, and his smile has become chronic. He has not drank a drop since four months, a long time for an indian to abstain, he says " Me drink no more" . I have explained all about the temperance pledge, he can write his name very well, and is anxious to sign one. I talk very severely to him and an inturpeter, and try to impress upon his mind that it would be a solemn promise and a sad, sad thing if he broke his word. I shall write one for him before I leave, I think at no distant time a temperance society could be formed here. Jack says he wants to be good, just as soon as he can learn how. Poor fellow he needs the prayers of Christians, in consequence, if his sobriety he was retained at a salmon cannery till the last hand was discharged, returned with a plenty of money and bought himself good clothing two weeks ago his wife saw a new print dress, a new shawl, but had a black silk handkerchief on her head. Afterwards I said, "Jack the next article you buy for Mary, I want you to get a hat". I told them how nice the Fort Wrangel Indians looked, they wore gloves, collars, neckties, etc. last Saturday they came to my house to show me their purchases. A woosted dress which he wished me to make just like mine, two hats, a straw and velvet one, a pair of gloves, and some green ribbon for a tie. I gave her collars and cuffs to complete her outfit. Jack was very proud of her Sunday, and paraded her about town. The white people noticed the change and called her the belle of the city.

Mr. Brady succeeded in getting the signatures of all the merchants, promising not to send for any more molasses.

but the next Steamer brought large freight of brown sugar. Now this is an improvement as Dick informs me "When molasses plenty Koochineo two bits a bottle, plenty Indian buy um when Koochineo two dollars a bottle, nobody buy none" The ranch is certainly quiet and orderly, it seems this dreadful evil must be stopped before the Indians will become Christianized, but it is the Lord's work, He knows all about it, we can only perform each duty, and pray that in his own good time he will remove it. Mr. Brady is now North visiting some tribes. During his absence the conducting of the Sunday service fell upon me.

Col. Baal, our gentlemanly and intelligently collector once offered to assist me, if he could. When I was alone last Sunday ~~morning~~-IN morning, I invited him to talk to the children, and he giving them the old story over, but in a new way. He told them that every nation including the heathens had a belief in a God, but the Americans believe in God as a Spirit and in his son Jesus Christ, that two of the most powerful nations in the North were as ignorant and degraded as they. Their civilization and advancement began and progressed as they embraced Christianity, that there was nothing mysterious or magical in the wonderful inventions of the white man, but simply the result of

And in time their nation could understand all these things, but that they must begin right here with the simplest lessons in their school room.

Washington, October 29/78.

Dr. Jackson,
Dear Sir:-

D. C.

The lamentable ignorance of our Presbyterian on the Home Mission work demands some effort to introduce the Rocky Mountain Presbyterian.

A Committee of our society presented the claim of "Woman's work for woman at home!" before the Presbytery that at its recent session in this city- and resolutions were passed acknowledging the work.

But without knowledge there is no enthusiasm. What way can we best reach the 12 churches outside the city? for what sum would you send copies for the two months remaining?

Hoping to hear soon,

#303- M. Street, Wash, D. C. Yours sincerely,

M. E. Harrington.

Del Norte, Colorado., October 23/78.

Dear Brother Jackson:-

I got home last Friday, the people all knew of the prospective change of fields, and the "Prospector" had copied from the news, and Tribune, the item with complimentary notices of George and myself. I am waiting here on Wilson, Elder at Alamosa, to come down from the "Summit" to sign mortgage to

send for money and Board of Church Erection.

I see the Priests are after the Alamosa Mexicans, for admitting me to their houses, at least an article in the Alamosa News protesting over 67 Mexicans signatures that they are good Catholics, and would burn et books etc, I gave them it seems to indicate. I have a joke to tell you. I am going to send those 67 names to C. O. Waters at Chicago, and ask him to mail every one of them a copy of "Audreas Dunn" the man of whom the old ladie's of Petasa^{N.M.} said, "Sabe Mucho". I was happy to find three or four names absent, and they the Protestents Gomez. Please tell me the nearest post-office to Cannon, De Jemez, and Dr. Shields name, as I want to send Ronaldo Montoya's letter of dismissal to him.

Mrs. Darley is delighted with the prospects of going to the Mexicans, and said she was greatly disappointed in not getting to the Navajoes last year & that she wants more than the past "formal calling", Christianity for a life work.

I have just written George a long detailed letter about the change, he learned it I suppose from the Silver World. Permit te- me to impress upon you the necessity of securing a man for Lake City, as the snows may not permit Georges family removal till Spring if much delay is made, and I understand no change is to be made till such a man is secured. I propose "to bone" the Spanish daily now so as to increase my vocabulary. I have good hope of a valuable assistant in my Mexican labores. I laid the need of a bible Colporteur before McCauldlish, when he was out here-for this valley and further wrote him the fact of my Alamosa trip- an answer came on my return, saying he had sent on Mr. Veazie's recommendation to the Board, with my letter etc, and Veazie's is a common christian friend of Georges and mine, and it is understood he is to distribute bibles, chiefly among the Mexicans. This will be "God's saying Let their be light" and a fine help to our labors in the Lord.

Write soon,

Yours ever,

Alex. M. Darley.

Erie, Penn, October, 23/78.

Dear Sir:-

I sent this morning Dr. Wilson of New York draft for \$20.00 from Park church Sabbath school of Erie, Penn, for Pueblo of Navajoa Missions.

Will you send to my address certificate of stocks for 50 scholars - Please send the separate certificare in blanks, and I will not trouble you to insert the names.

Very respectfully,

S. S. Spencer.

Del Norte, Colorado, October 24th, 78.

My Dear Doctor:-

I enclose you a copy of the church letter of dismission. I've prepared to send to Romaldo Montoya in care of Shields when I hear from you of their address. I had a very pleasant call from Don Pablo Ortega, this noon- and his nephew Ortega informs that the Padre instigated the article signed by the 67 of which I wrote you yesterday.

That he also preached that the Protestants were going to hell, and though there might be some hopes for Protestants born such, there was none for Papists become Protestants. I told Ortega that was bad for him, at which he laughed. He says he is very much pleased at the prospect of having me with them, he says that all the children of his Plaza, as well as many across the river, besides relatives of his own- many of all three classes- Papists- are anxiously waiting for the school at Sinisero- and will not send their children to the convent Conejos, on account of its coming. Ortega seems a little irritated at its delay. When we take into consideration that he began his Protestant efforts in 63, fifteen years ago- by securing a legislative act, authorizing a grave-yard not under Papal control- he has waited long for the desire of his heart, especially as he believes the schools to be the best agencies for evangelizing the Papists.

We had a good long talk, and Mrs. Darley, I and our company sang together in Spanish. Ortega's nephew who can not read, was delighted to find another song to his favorite song "Greenland's icy mountain" to which he knows one Spanish hymn. Ortega thinks the Jesuit attempt on the Alamosa will be good for our cause. He wants a school-house badly at Sinisero- thinks that church ought to have the first one.

I assured him that was the intention. Four more members then desired baptism as well as some at Los Sauces.

Yours fraternally,
Alex. M. Darley.

Wilkesville, Ohio, October 25/78.

Jonh M. Reigart, Esq,

Dear Sir:-

I have this day mailed to Rev. H. R. Wilson #25 Centre St, New York, \$5.00 for the Pueblo and Navajo Mission Building, from the Presbyterian Sunday-School of Wilkesville, Vinton Co., Ohio.

Will you please send me addressed as above fifty certificates of stock for our children.

Yours respectfully,
John Miller, Supt.

Maalius, New York., October, 26/78.

Rev. Sheldon Jackson,

Dear Sir:-

The two photographs and the one piece of pottery have arrived safely, and have given entire satisfaction to the ladies of our society (Missionary). The Sabbath school children did nothing towards raising the money, so they will not be quite as interested, but we will show them to them. The Sabbath school just now is working for the McAuley Water St. Mission, New York., Thanking you for the pottery and the photographs, I remain,

Yours truly,
Mary C. Morley.

Sec. Ladies Missionary Society.

Marseilles, Ohio., October 27/78.

Rev. Sheldon Jackson,

Dear Sir:-

Enclosed please find a money order for \$25.00. amount set apart by the Ladies of the Marseilles Society, for the Zuni Mission.

Trusting we shall hear from you on the receipt of the money, and that you may be prosperous in your labor of love, I remain,

Yours respectfully,
Lizzie Rubins.

Marseilles Ohio.

Youngstown, Ohio. October 28/78.

John M. Reigart, Esq.,

Denver, Colorado,

Dear Sir:-

I have just forwarded to Rev. H. R. Wilson, Mission House New York, a draft for \$25.00, being a contribution from the Sunday-school of the First Presbyterian Church of this City, for the christian people at Zuni, New Mexico, in their efforts to build a church. Our school would like a picture at Zuni which may be sent to me. There are 142 scholars who each contributed to this fund. If all are entitled to certificates they may also be sent to me.

Trusting the work may feel some encouraging from this contribution, I remain,

Yours truly,
Mason Evans.

Oakland, California, October 28/78.

My dear Rev. Jackson:-

Yours was received today. Important work in N. Cal. will occupy me for a month or six weeks, in the meantime I thank you for the information you have given me of

I wish you could visit that Territory and put some good men at work, then come on this way and help me to rouse

our people in behalf of Home Mission. I believe you could help the cause very much. We would have to concentrate our strength on the one work. I got the Presbtery of San Francisco to take strong action in this direction, which I hope will neatly increase the contributions for Home Missions.

This is the object proposed, our best men are with me in the effort. The Board feared we were aiming at independence.

Well we do want to raise enough for the support of our Home Mission work, this is the best way we can help the Board. We are sure to be loyal to the Board.

Now if you can visit Arizona extend your trip to San Francisco. Let me know. I will defend you in anything you can do for Arizona. Our best men are thoroughly with me all the time.

I send you the Occidental with the report abridged.

Yours very truly,
Thomas Fraser.

My wife remembers you with great pleasure, reads your paper and hands it around.

Lockport, October, 29/78.

My Dear Mr. Jackson:-

I have regretted being obliged to hold your letter with its enclosure from Mr. Arnold for a single day, realizing the importance of immediate action, from the lateness of the season. But our annual meeting was crowded a week beyond its usual time, of course I could take no steps forward without authority. But at one meeting yesterday after our Ladies most cordially voted "a box" to Mr. Arnold, and despatched a letter to him by very first mail for sizes, and will be elected executor of the work with all dispatch, as soon as we shall hear from him.

The Zuni Mission lies very near to my heart, as also to other of our Ladies and we hope to be able to do something for it, but wait till after we have fitted up "a good box" to see what we then can do.

We give three hundred dollars toward the support of a teacher in China, and this does not leave us a very broad margin for other appropriations, but I am quite confident that Zuni will receive something from us, perhaps \$25.00 if not \$50.00.

We have received, through my husband being a Presbyterian clergyman, your Rocky Mountain Presbyterian for the past year, and I count it the very best mission paper that lies on our table, and am just now getting up a club for it among our ladies.

I hope our Sabbath school will also make an appropriation to the Zuni work? Mean to lay it before our Superintendent as soon as may be.

Wish very much My Dear Sir that you would stop once with us whenever you shall come this eastward again.

Your own actual observations among our frontier Missions will go far to stir up the sympathy and interest of all our people.

Hoping that we may have the pleasure of welcoming you ere long, I remain,

Yours in Christian service,
Mrs. R. Norton.

New York, October 29/78.

Dear Dr. Jackson:-

That matter of the last check issued to Shields received attention long before your letter came.

As to Mrs. Graham's Society, and the Assembly's Committee of Ladies I have nothing to say communicate for publication. Privately, I have this to say, The Synod of New York appointed Mrs. Graham and Mrs. R. R. Booth to represent the Presbyterian of New York, and I understand the arrangement is in every way satisfactory to Mrs. G. An executive Committee of Ladies from the three near by Synods would make a strong team. So far everything seems to be satisfactory to all.

Yours,
O. D. Eaton.

Oakland, California, October
30/78.

Dear Dr. Jackson:-

I have heard that Prescott is or will soon be vacant, the young Brother there goes East. We need a man for that place and probably one for Yuma and one for Florence. There are none here for any of those fields. I need at least six good men for fields in California now open and vacant churches. Several very important, such as Stockton, Placerville, Gilroy and others more directly under my care, such as, Visalia, Plano, Bakersfield, Ukiah, Mendocino, Coalinga, Greyson, in this vicinity, Bukeley and Centreville. A few men are looking at those places but if every man now at hand took a field, full half our vacancies would remain unsupplied. This is our great weakness. If you know good men wanting a change and looking for a fine climate send them to me.

I could locate quite a number just now. But I must depend on you to find them for Arizona.

Let the Board commission three good men for that Territory. I go off on a long trip, but letters will be sent to me.

Yours as ever,

Thomas Fraser.

Morristown, New Jersey,
October 31/78.

Rev. Sheldon Jackson,
Dear Sir:-

The Missionary Society of the Sabbath school of the South St, Presbyterian church, Morristown; (Rev. Albert Erdman, pastor) recently donated fifty-dollars (\$50.00), to the go toward the building of a missionary's house among the Aztec Indians in New Mexico- Having read your articles in the papers, in regard to that mission field, they became interested in the work in connection with the Indians. Especially in regard to a house for a missionary to live in and teach in. As you said the windows and doors would require about ten dollars (\$10.00) each, but we would like to have the money go in that direction if possible; otherwise for the house I suppose is general. The amount I gave to Rev. Dr. Wilson (payable to Mr. J. Ogden, treas.) of the Church Erection Board, at the Missionary Rooms here in the city- He told me they were receiving monies for those fields, I told him that the school wished it to go for one of the missionary houses, and he said, a home was being built at the Zuni Mission, so he took the money for that place.

Can you give me the name of the Missionary there? and his address. I would like to write to him, also as to what progress has been made so far in the building.

Yours very sincerely,
Walter Graves.

Pres. Missy' Soc'y.

(Photographs and Pottery sent November 5th, 1878.) S.J.

New York City, October, 31/78.

Rev. Sheldon Jackson, D. D.
Dear Friend:-

I have been striving for the last five days to write you, but with committees and meetings, and a peck of other matters, and an obstinate headache from over fatigue, I have not accomplished it.

The leaflets came in due time, for which many thanks. I put one in ^{every} letter I write, and yesterday brought me response in the form of a check for Alaska, saying, it was the result of interest from your leaflet.

The photograph also came safely, and I shall use them at home church meetings which I am now holding, and hope they too will bear fruits. The expense of these I ought to bear if you will let me know.

Four boxes have been sent to Mrs. McFarland- one personal, the others for use for the home- She named \$100.00 as the price of each girl, but it would be impossible to get scholarship for that amount. I have given out two at \$50.00- and there must be some sort of fund to meet running expenses of

school. I fear her kind heart will lead to doing too much- the girls should be kept on the plain food of their own homes, etc. I am glad that a lady talks of giving an endowment to the school, but it will not be large- every little bit helps and Rome was not built in a day.

I have been anxious to learn of the prospects of the building at Zuni- have been wanting to write Mr. Ealy, but time has failed. Dr. Kendall being absent so long has put some of my correspondence in the back-ground, as I waited his decision and advice.

I am sorry that Mr. Smith takes part against our school, declaring himself so actively in favor of the other and refusing even to visit or have anything to do with ours.. It seems to me that he forgets that he is a minister, and under appointment of Home Board, and that his duty lies manifestly in that direction-

When he sent down we agreed to let him have two rooms in our school building, and he has taken possession as if it belonged to him.

The money was raised for a school and there are those here in New York, who would call us to account for a wrong use of the funds, if we did not use it for that purpose.

One of our largest donors refused to give any more, while Mr. S. was even in Santa Fe. I could say a good deal, but refrain- I think Mrs. Sharon is the right one- I hope she is. I have told her to use all courtesy to Mr. S. as a minister of Christ-but this is the only claims I now feel that he has to any consideration from us.

I am going to send your pretty Zuni certificate to a Sunday-school, hoping it will do something, for we live and work in this world by much of the seen and tangible rather than the invisible things.

Very truly yours, with many thanks,
Julian M. Graham.

"Account book of the expenses of building the Mission Buildings at the Pueblo of Jemez, New Mexico., by J. M. Shields, "Missionary in charge!"

Date.	To whom paid.	What for.	\$	Amount	cents.
pt 10 1878.	J. W. Miller.	2 Adobe boxes.			50
" "	Marco Kolake.	1/2 day making Adobe.			25
" "	Augusta Toyo.	1/2 " " "			25
" 12	Antonio (Pakes)	1/2 " at foundation.			25
" 15	Marco Kolake.	50 Adobe.			50
" "	Augusta Toyo.	" "			50
" "	John Toyo.	70 "			70
" 16	Francisco Montory	Self & hand hauling stone	\$ 2		50
" 17	" "	" & hand laying stone	1		50
" 19	Juan Gonzales.	On making Adobes.	2		00

Date.	Sept	To whom paid.	What for.	AMT \$
1878.	19th	J. W. Miller.	2 Adobe Boxes.	70.
"	20th	" " "	1 Wooden Bucket. (mortar)	70.
"	21st	Julian Perca.	Freight on doors & wind's	68 46.
"	22th	P. Bide.	Lumber at Bernallillo.	5 55.
"	"	" "	Barley & Hay for team.	2 00.
"	25th	Rafael Reiss.	On Adobe.	50 00.
"	26th	Blacksmith, (Jamar)	2 Trowels.	2 00.
				\$117.74
"	28th	Rafafio Valerds.	5 days work.	5 00.
"	"	Rafiel Ruiz.	5 " "	5 00.
"	1st	" "	Balance on 4.100 Adobes.	17 00.
"	1st	Hency Beaumont.	For work on house.	5 00.
"	"	J. W. Miller.	" " " "	5 00.
"	2nd	" " "	" nails.	10.
"	5th	" " "	" a plank for frames.	30.
"	"	Lorenzo Frow.	On Adobe contract.	10 00.
"	"	Rafiel Ruiz.	For 6 days work.	6 00.
"	"	Rafafio Valerds.	" 6 " "	6 00.
"	8th	Lorenzo Frow.	On Adobe contract.	10 00.
"	10th	" " "	" " "	4 00.
"	11th	Mariana Frow.	For 1000 Adobes.	10 00.
"	11th	Francisco Valerds.	" 8 poles for scaffolding	2 00.
"	12th	Juan Pablo Monterey	" 6 days work.	6 00.
"	"	Rafafio Valerds.	" 6 " "	6 00.
				\$88 00.
"	"	Rafiel Ruiz.	For 6 days work.	6 00.
"	"	Martien Frow.	" 10 0 Adobe.	10 00.
"	14th	Francisco Valerds.	" 8 sticks.	2 00.
"	17th	Mariana Frow.	" 200 Adobe.	2 00.
"	18th	Rafafio Valerds.	" 6 days work.	6 00.
"	"	Juan Pablo Monterey	" 6 " "	6 00.
"	24th	" " "	" 5 " "	5 00.
"	Nov			
"	1st	J. W. Miller.	" 2 boxes for window frames	70.
"	1st	Ronaldo Monterey.	On hauling lumber (S.F.)	5 00.
"	2nd	Juan Pablo Monterey	For 3 days work.	5 00.
"	6th	Christoral Sando.	On plaster S. S. Rooms	6 00.
"	11th	Agustine Pakos.	For hauling doors from S.F.	10 00.
"	"	Juan Zsidco Sagan	" " " " S.F.	10 00.
"	"	San Juaneto Bacca	" " " " S.F.	14 00.
"	"	P. H. Herlone.	" 2500 ft. boards.	60 00.
"	"	J. W. Miller.	" plank.	35.
				\$144 91. (\$144.0
"	12th	Christoral Sando.	" Timber.	2 00.
"	15th	Francosco Valerds.	" " for roof.	2 00.
"	18th	Yose Mera.	" 2 dry vegas.	2 00.
"	"	Ronaldo Monterey	On hauling boards from S.F.	11 00.
"	"	Lorenzo Frow.	" plastering parlor.	5 00.

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Date!	Nov!	To whom paid!	What for!	Amount.
1878.	18th.	San Juanito Casquito.	On plastering --\$	4.00%
"	19th.	Lusera.	" "	2.00.
"	20th.	Juan Antonio.	For 5 vegas.	7.50.
"	21st.	Jose Audrace.	" hauling lumber.	8.00.
"	"	Fernandez Gochapin.	" 1/2 days work. (BS)	50.
"	22nd.	Augusta Toyo.	" " " "	1.50.
"	"	Fernandez Gochapin.	" 1 vegas.	1.00.
"	23rd.	W. B. Pueblos.	" work.	12.00.
"	"	Jose Marco. (Pueblo)	" 4 vegas.	4.00.
"	25th.	Francisco Valerds.	On vegas.	20.00.
"	25th.	A Mexican Man.	Hauling 1000 ft. ^{lumber.}	\$85.50.
"	25th.	San Juanito Lenard.	One days work.	1.00.
"	25th.	Augusta Toyo.	2 Vegas.	5.00.
"	27th.	Francisco Marco.	2 1/2 days work.	2.50.
"	27th.	To Gov. Louisa Mur.	1 1/2 days work.	1.50.
"	29th.	Jesus Gochapin.	4 1/2 dats work.	4.50.
"	Dec.			
"	3rd.	San Juanito Casuquito.	Plastering. (4 da.)	10.00.
"	3rd.	Christeral Saudo.	On plastering.	5.50.
"	3rd.	J. W. Miller.	Carpenter work.	5.00.
"	4th.	P. H. Herlon.	Lumber. days work / 50%	53.60.
"	5th.	San Juanito Lusera.	Plastering. \$ 1/2	4.50.
"	6th.	Lorenzo Fron.	Bal. on plastering.	3.00.
"	7th.	Christeral Saudo.	" " "	50.
"	7th.	San Juanito Casuquito.	" " "	50.
"	19th.	Augusta Toyo.	1/2 days work at well	50.
				<u>\$95.60.</u>
"	"	Wefeld.	Wheel Barrow.	6.50.
"	"	Freight on W.B.	Freight on W.B.	1.50.
"	"	Miller.		4.00.
"	"		2 window sash w'ds.	4.00.
"	"		1 door with lock,	1.75.
"	20th.	Augusta Toyo.	1 days work.	1.00.
"	"	An Indian.	1/2 days work.	50.
"	"	Molay Gochapin.	1 days work.	75.
"	28th.	Squire Mester.	2 days work in well	14.00.
1879.	January.			
"	2nd.	J. W. Miller.	Rope for well.	1.50.
"	4th.	Squire Mester.	6 days work in well	12.00.
"	4th.	San Juanito Casuquito.	2 " " " "	2.00.
"	11th.	Squire Mester.	6 " " " "	12.00.
"	11th.	San Juanito Casuquito.	5 3/4 da. " " "	5.75.
"	14th.	Squire Mester.	2 days " " "	4.00.
"	25th.	Herlon.	600 ft. boards.	14.00.
"	February.			<u>\$75.25.</u>
"	8th.	San Juanito Casuquito.	1 days work.	1.00.
"	"	Jesus Gochapin.	1 " " "	1.00.
"	"	Fernandez Gochapin.	1 " " "	1.00.
"	"	Christeral Saudo.	1/2 " " "	50. (over)

Date.	Feb.	To whom paid.	What for.	Amt. \$	¢
1879.	10th.	12 Indians.	Work in ditch.	12.00.	
"	"	Coluqui.	1/2 days work in ditch.	50.	
"	11th.	Wampora Culugini.	1 days work.	1.00.	
"	12th.	" son.	1 " "	1.00.	
"	15th.	Juan Lencera.	1 1/2 days work.	1.50.	
"	"	S. J. Casuquto.	3 " "	3.00.	
"	14th.	Juan Lencera.	1/2 " "	50.	
"	"	S. J. "	1 days work.	1.00.	
"	"	Jesus Gochupin.	1 " "	1.00.	
"	21st.	Agustin Pekas.	Hauling 1.000 lumber,	12.00	
"	24th.	Rufufio Valerds.	Load poles for well box.	2.25.	
"	25th.	" "	" " " " " "	2.00.	
"	"	D. Blake.	Work inwell.	2.00.	
"	Mch.			<u>\$43.25.</u>	
"	1st.	D. A. Blake.	5 1/2 days work.	5.50.	
"	5th.	Rufufio Valerds.	1 load poles for well.	2.00.	
"	7th.	Jesus Gochupin.	5 days work.	5.00.	
"	8th.	D. A. Blake.	6 " "	6.00.	
"	13th.	J. W. Miller.	5 lbs. nails.	50.	
"	15th.	D. A. Blake.	6 days work.	6.00.	
"	16th.	Jesus Gochupin.	6 " "	6.00.	
"	20th.	J. W. Miller.	6 lbs. nails.	1.00.	
"	22nd.	D. A. Blake.	6 days work.	6.00.	
"	25th.	Jesus Gochupin.	2 days work.	2.00.	
"	27th.	J. W. Miller.	Rope for well.	1.35.	
"	29th.	D. A. Blake.	6 days work.	6.00.	
"	31st.	J. W. Miller.	Iron for well.	65.	
"	31st.	Christoral Gochupin.	2" auger for well.	2.00.	
"	April.	W. Miller		1.00.	
"	1st.	J. W. Miller.	Iron for well, auger handle.	<u>50.</u>	\$49
"	4th.	Rec'd of Mr. Truheca.	For a board.	6.00.	
"	5th.	D. A. Blake.	6 days work.	1.50.	
"	7th.	Jesus Gochupin.	On making Adobss.	1.50.	
"	7th.	Francisco Marter.	" " "	1.00.	
"	9th.	" "	" " "	1.00.	
"	9th.	Jesus Gochupin.	" " "	75.	
"	19th.	Francisco Marter.	3/4 days work.	<u>75.</u>	
				\$11.75.	

ROMALDO MONTERY'S ACC'T OF WORK AT THE MISSION BUILDING
AT JAMES.

September	16th.	1/2 days work.	@	50 cents.	
"	17th.	1/2 " "	@	50 "	
"	To money	paid Indian for fixing wheel			\$2.50.
"	18th.	1 days work.	@	1.00.	
"	19th.	1 " "	@	1.00.	
"	20th.	1 " "	@	1.00.	
"	21st.	To cash on work at house.			\$1.75. (Ove)

September	25rd.& 24th.	Trip to B. with team.	\$2.50.	
"	25th.	To cash.		\$2.50.
"	27th.	1 days work.	1.00.	
"	28th.	1 " "	1.00.	
"	28th.	To cash.		2.00.
"	30th.	1 days work.	1.00.	
October	1st.	1 " "	1.00.	
"	2nd.	1 " "	1.00.	
			<u>\$11.50.</u>	<u>\$8.75.</u>
"	3rd.	1 days work.	1.00.	
"	4th.	1 " "	1.00.	
"	5th.	1 " "	1.00.	
"	5th.	To cash.		6.00.
"	8th.	1 days work.	1.00.	
"	9th.	1 " "	1.00.	
"	10th.	1 " "	1.00.	
"	"	To cash.		2.00.
"	11th.	1 days work.	1.00.	
"	12th.	1 " "		
"	12th.	To cash.		1.75.
			<u>\$18.50.</u>	<u>\$18.50.</u>

Dollars.	Cents.	Boarding.
\$117.	74	Joachin Mester. 48 meals.
88.	00	D. A. Black. 100 "
144.	05	Jesus Gochupin. 10 "
85.	50	<u>158 meals.</u>
95.	60	15¢ a meal.
75.	25	790
45.	25	158
49.	00	<u>\$25.70¢ Total.</u>
11.	75	
18.	50	
32.	40	
<u>\$759.</u>	94	
	50 received for a board.	
<u>\$759.</u>	44	
25.	70 for meals served.	Total amount \$785.14¢
<u>\$785.</u>	14¢	

ACCOUNT OF BOARDING HANDS BUILDING THE JEMES MISSION BUILDING.

Date.	Sept.	Meals.	Sept.	Meals.	Oct.	Meals.	Oct.	Meals.	Oct.	Meals.
	10th.	-- 2 --	25th.	-- 2 --	1st.	--9--	9th.	--12	17th.	--6--
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Jemes New Mexico.,
November 1878.

Rev. Sheldon Jackson, D. D.

Dear Dr:-

I have received no letter from you as yet, but I want to write to you. As Dr. Thomas is in Denver, I suppose you will hear from him about the difficultie we had here with the Priest. I will just say here, that after the Dr. left the Vicar from Santa Fe, arrived on the battle-field, and called for a council and demanded the documents in regard to the school property, Francisco Nash came to me and told me.

I told him the Vicar could look at the papers all day or for a week if he wanted to. It was no difference to me, and I went back to my work. I could not hear what the council amounts to, or what the Vicar said. He went off, and for awhile the Priest cut up a and talked so much that many of his own people got down on him. He has now cooled down. I suppose he thinks, "What can't be cured, must be endured". The indians have been very friendly, and it is no trouble to get them to work. The day you left I made a beginning and had 120 adobe made. We had the foundation ready a good many adobe made, and was beginning to build when the trouble commenced. We had the walls started up nicely, and were doing finely, when Mrs. Shields took sick. Then came four weeks or nearly of trial which ended with the loss of her who was the light of this house, and one of the main workers at the Jemes Mission. You no doubt have received my letter ere this telling of her death. When she took sick I did not like to stop the work. We were anxious to get in the new house before winter, then it seemed to be necessary to keep up a bold front and keep things moving in presence of the enemy. So we kept on as well as we could. Our boys helped to cook and attend to mama, and I was sometimes out at work and sometimes in the house in daylight and at night I had to work and attend to Mrs. Shields. You know how impossible it is here to get help here that is worth anything. I had to bake and wash and cook and most of the time I had all the case of mama at night. I tried to keep her clothes and bed clean and attend to her well. Some nights I did not get much sleep. Towards the last my cheeks began to burn, and by spells I had a cough and began to feel as if I was going down too. I can stand a good deal however and now begin to feel better, although I am not right well. Before she died I quit work and there came on a wonderful storm and of rain and wind. It rained for several days.

During this storm she died. Afterwards when I went up to the house, I found one fine chimney entirely thrown down. The walls were some damaged and a good many fine adobes entirely destroyed with the storm.

As soon as I could muster up courage and got to work, and we are now putting on the roof, and expect to go into the new house in a few weeks, if nothing happens to prevent. I dont want to complain, and I will try to keep up as well as I can. If my health and strenght dont fail.

I dont know what to say. But you know well that there is too many things for me to do here, I cannot do all, that should be done here.

I dont know how it can be helped. But I do know that there should be help sent to the Jemes Mission, and that soon. If I had any females friends that would come, and would suit for the work here, I would try and get ons appointed Assistant teacher, and ask the Board to commission one. Then we could get along. But I do not know that I could get any of my friends to come. I dont know that strangers would want to come now, and if any would come who would not be agreeable and willing to take some interest in the little boys, I would not be contented with such. I will leave it all to your judgement. But I want you to know that there is a field here that is white unto the harvest, and the laborers are few. I have too much to do here, and the care of my little family also. I am not lazy, not a bit. But I know I cannot do all the work that sould be done, I want you to write if you please, and let me know what you think.

Mrs. S. told me to buryher here, and stay with these people. I would be sorry indeed to have to leave her here. And I hope that God will bless our efforts here finally.

Our school is doing well, only I cannot give much to it. I dont think the Priest can keep the children away. I know I love the children and I think some of them are greatly attached to us, and we will have scholars. And the better families of the Mexicans are pressing me to teach their children. If I had two good Assistants here there could be a great work done.

If Dr. Thomas is in Denver when yoy get this I hope you will cunsult with him, and if there can be any help sent here, I hope it will be done. Dont forget the box of clothing.

These little naked souls need it, and it would help us to keep them in school. If you know of any one who would send us some combs, handkerchiefs, ribbons, or any little thing for children please tell them we would use them well here, and they would do much good.

We do get some things from the east, and I spend a heap of money for the children, that I am not able to spare. I will do all that is in my power to ^{these people} do ~~any~~ good, ~~must-eeem-frem-Ged-and~~ I will try and always feel that the power to do any good must come from God. This is a new Mission and ~~that it will be abundently eared-fer.~~ ^{help} as you know is now just struggling into existence. I hope there will be a deep interest taken in this mission, and that it will be abundently

cared for. I will look for the bell and the library and if the library comes I would like to have a little time for reading and study. I have done more work at the house than any man that was hired to work and have tried to make the money go as far as it would, but I need some more and will have to have it if I should spend some of my own which I can not do in justice to my family. I hope you will not think me a beggar I only want to do all the good I can here. The boys and I are keeping house and doing the best we can but Oh! it is a very lonely and we miss Mamma so much. We never heard anything of the stockings you promised to send. If you send any now send to the boys. We never heard how the new house went up at Zani, I would much like to know if Dr Ely is living in it. Otho has been sick to day but is some better to night. You told me I should write freely to you and I certainly have this time. I should be in bed getting some rest and I will now close. With kindest Regards

Yours in Christ

J. M. Shields.

Santa Fe, New Mexico.

Nov. 1st, 1878.

Dear Friend:-

The new school teacher is here, and the prospects of a Mission school are very good. The enrollment is forty six (46) I believe. Mrs Sharon feels that there is nothing to hinder it being a success. You know how I feel about the other part of the work, but until the way is opened. I will be in school. I believe Mrs S. is the one to make a success of this part of the work if any one can, and I can not see why Dr. T. and Mr. S. take the positions they do in regard to the school, but Mrs S. says, she did not come to discouraged though she says she never taught such a trying school. The Smiths start in the morning for home. Doubtless I will not be forgotten.. Bro. S. still hammers away in his public discourses at somebody. If any clothing has been gathered by any of your ladies we will be very glad of it as our school is clothed in any and sumerish garments, and as to books there is nothing we need. The other school you know has taken all the paying pupils and this must begin at beginning, Yours in haste.

-----M. E. Griffith.

Greely Colorado,

November 2nd, 1878.

Dr. Jackson.

Dear sir:-

Here is the over grown gosling! after he is plucked, it may be that you will find a few bones to serve your purpose. I found so many duties in home and parishes after

coming from Presbytery that is was impossible to get at (Old Mexico) immediately. I found I could do nothing with it as a H. M. article- . The new article has been ready to send since Friday last, it has been delayed that my husband might look it over. Of course I showed the gosling to him when it peeped out! He who dares to raise his voice against it is a traitor, ect" he did not know whether it would do for my gosling to say that. But when I came home from Missionary meeting yesterday and told him what a certain quaint lady said-viz." that she would resign the office of secretary if the socitey did not do more for foreign missions next year" and" what were the degraded Mexicans to the hords of India who came up so well after they were converted)- he did not say, anything more about the sentiment of my gosling. If people will not wake up we will have to stick pins into them.

Evans Home Missionary Society Organized- real good earnest feeling in regard to Zuni. Can not say that of the Minority in Greeley, but thing they will do as well next year as they have done last both my husband and myself write in kind regards to you ad prayers to God for a prosperous journey.

Mary Partridge.

P.S. the Church is going to be moved.

Independence, Buchanan Co,
Iowa

November, 4th, 1878.

T. M. Reigart, Esq.

Dear sir:-

I, at this date send according to directions in Oct, No, of the Rocky Mountain Preisbyterian, \$1.40, to Rev. H. R. Wilson, for the New Mexico and Airzona Mission chaples the contribution of the S. S. of the Preis, church at Rowly and I here with send you the names of the contributors and their address. The names are, Clara Miller, Teatu Miller, Hency Loz, Masy Prentis, Bertie Prentis, Adie Prentis, Anges Sampson, Freddie Sampson, and Mr. T. I. Prentis, five shares. Their address is Rowley, Buchanan Co, Iowa. Yours most truly.

Chas. R. French.

S. S. Pres, ch, Rowley. Iowa.

Leadville Colorado,

November, 5th, 1878.

Dear Dr:-

I have not written before, waiting to have something definite to write. The company promise us a lot on Harrison Ave but it rather like the present of a skin on a live bear for the jumpers have possession and seem determined to keep

it, counting the boards one third we have now \$18.00, on subscription nearly all good. We are advised to put up a church to seat two-hundred, (200.) as the town promises growth next year. If we can raise enough more we will probably build such a church. What do you think about it? I meet Presbyterians every now and then, some of them very good element. (Postal Card.)

Harry L. Jeneway.

 Malad City, Idaho,
 November 5h, 1878.

Dear Brother Jackson:-

I had intended writing to you soon after my return from the East, but have been prevented by the multitude of duties which pressed me from day to day.

We were obliged to move and had great difficulty in finding a house to go into.

At last I engaged a lot house of Mr. Davis at \$5.00 per month. I had to fix it up to suit myself. The roof was dirty and needed thatching the doubling had to be patched. this with whitewashing etc, kept me busy at hard work for a week or more.

I had to do most of it myself or run in debt as the Board of H. M. are behind in their payments, but we are moved and are very cozily settled for the winter. My wife is well contented and now that we are firely settled I think she will enjoy it. I consider her a happy acquisition as a helper in my missionary work. She has taken different classes in the S. S. and seems to greatly interest them all.

I am exceedingly sorry that she can not play on the organ but I could not afford to let her even go for that defect. But the Lord seems to provide for the deficiency from other sources. Miss Davis, whom you will remember as the organist the evening that you preached, has done us good service according to her ability and by effort we have been taking up the pieces of Lucky and Blik slowly during the summer.

It has been slowly because on the one hand Miss. D. can play only by practise and being crowded with house-work she has not been able to practise but very little. Then on the other hand there are few singers than can either read words or music well enough to sing until they get it all by heart.

But one country Sheriff Mr. Morgan has married recently and his wife has been attending both S.S. preaching. he is an accomplished singer and player, and seems with that to be excellent, and a Christian Women.

I have not been able to call on her yet as she lives some distance from town. I am afraid that the plain on which

we have started out here is none of the best-to operate with this people. In regard to the contract mentioned above they had not time to write it out while in session, and it was left to the sec, Mr. Jones to do at his leisure, to be afterwards signed by the parties. That contract is not written yet. I talked to one an another repeadately to have it done and did almost everythin but say I would throw up the contract unless it was written. I finally concluded that if they wanted to squirm out of any part of it they would do it any way so let it pass. Our school has been interrupted again and again by Dist, Court Probate Court and even by political causes. And while I was away they even presumed to set aside our regular S.S. appointment for a Joseplate meeting with out consulting or even notifying my sister. The people seem so careles.-not only with religion -but education as well. I do not know whether I have mentioned any of these facts to you before or not. But the very first week I opened school in the spring we were almost freezing for want of wood while we were sending in notices of the fact to the members of the school-board every day and petitions for wood. At the beginning of the second week we were compeled to dismis. until we did get it, and then it was a day or two before they hauled us about one ofurth of a cord which lasted through the summer and kept the Court warm during Sept. Since we resumed school this fall we have had a similar experience and for over a week school has been suspended for no other reason than thenegligence of the Board to provide wood. We now have a load of poles to exercise restless boys upon with a very dull ax. I suppose that by peggng away at the Board for a few weeks they might finally get some one to saw up what should be left. Their conduct in other respects has been similar. I had a great deal of trouble to get the Board together to make the contract while we talked of when you were here. At last they did meet, we talked it all over and over and finally agreed. The terms were fair enough. We were to teach a school for ten months in the year, for five-hundred dollars or fifty dollars per month. If at any time the school exceeded fifty I was to receive in addation one dollar per month extra for each scholar over the number of fifty, with which to hire an assistant. They on their part were to furnish fuel and etc and keep the house in repair. The sweeping and the lighting of the fires was to be done by the scholars. For Sunday service they were to hire a man to keep the house and was to be paid by collections raised at evenings service. They engaged the man but he has never yet done more than sweep and dust, not a lamp has been filed or even cleaned nor lit I have concluded after a lot of worrying that I had better see to that mysely. These men that talked so only when you

were here are just as smooth tonged yet when I talk to them but how to perform they know not. Do not think me discouraged with my field- on the contrary I am greatly encouraged, but though encouragement covers about as much from Mormon as from Gentile sources. I only write this to show the necessity of our having a building and a school of our own. It seems to me that in the long run this plan would be best even in a financial point of views, and surely the force of our efforts would not be so scattered by the carelessness and faithlessness of others. I have not yet secured building lots but am figuring on some-will write about it again. Your Brother in Christ,

E. P. Welsh.

P.S. Wife sends respects, says she used to see you at their house frequently when she was a little girl. W.

Yesterday election shows that the Mormans outvoted us in this precinct more than two to one. It is to soon to tell all the general results, hope it is alwrite for the country. W.

New Brunsick, New Jersey,
November, 6th, 1878.

Dear Brother:-

Very naturally I take a deep interest in Harry's bh, building effort. At present if subsriptions in Leadville can be relied on he has \$100 secured there he can rely on \$300 here and if the B. of bh, erection will make to L an as he expected of \$500, he has \$1500

Providentially he is delayed by the difficulty of seeing at present a lot which he could build having some title. Something more may me secured here for the enterprize.

Yours sincerely,
Wm. R. Janeway.

Hansen Junction Ohio
November 7th, 1878.

Mr. J. M. Reigart

Dear sir:-

According to advice I send to tell you that we as a Sabath school send \$500. five dollars to New York for the Pueblos and Navajo Mission, and three little girls gave me tencents each, and I send that in stamps, now they would like certificates of your stock as your promise it is not much but, it cost self-denial one of the ten cents, was a birthday present, and the grace of the Lord pour out a spirit of liberality upon the churches for for the silver and gold is in his power and the good cause. Jane Ray.

Las vegasNMexico,
November, 7th, 1878.

Dear Bro. Jackson,
Dear sir:-

I received a few days ago from or by way of Auton Chico a package for you, I think it is from Zuni, It seems to me to be a Sack filled with some clothing probably- what shall I do with it? I do not like to send it by express as with out order as express charger are so high . I can not send it by the mail. I think it weighs from fifteen to twenty pounds, let me hear from you-----What about Ealy? I hear nothing direct, it is said you did not stay till he came and that his reception on the way and there was rather rough. there yet we have supposed what about the rent of the Auton Chico house you said in Presbty, did you not? that it should be attended to let us here on that point too. We are pretty well getting on as much as usual, school very good and at Auton Chico every prospect of success and usefulness, with Very kind regards to you and yours, Fateranally,

J. A. Annin .

Longmont Colorado,
November, 7th, 1878.

Rev. Sheldon Jackson, D. D.
Denver Col.

Dear Bro:-

Yours of the second received. Accept my thanks. Tell me the price of the stereoscopic views and I will remit. The lithographs I shall have preserved for you. Shall try to have the article ready for the next number of the Magazine. Next Sabath I shall take up a collection in our S.S. for the Pueblo Building association.

Have organized a ladies home mission Society to cooperate with Presbyterial society. They have received about 6 imitation fees and expect to give three or four sociables through the winter and thus raise what money they can.

I believe that God's spirit is stirring up our church to new life and Zeal We had a delightful communion service last sabath, three persons united two by letters one by examination. A number are searously considering the spiritual.

I have a wealthy friend in New York who proposes to spend a year in Col for her health. Do you know of any one or any school in Denver able to prepare him for collage?
With kindest regards, I am Feteranly yours

Ed M. Deems.

P. S. Could you deliver your lecture on the Aztecs in Longmont in Dec, Jan, of February? If so you and our ladies Home Miss; Society might share the earnings and much good may be done.

Yours, E. M. D.

Shenandoah, Pa,
Nov, 8th, 1878.

J. M. Reigart, Esq.

Dear Bro, :-

I have sent One dollar in addation to what I seperated to you in my first letter, to Reverand, H. R. Wilson. D. D. for Pueblo and Navajo Mission Buildings I want six (6) more cirtificates.

Yours very truly,
Fredrick F. Kolb

James November, 8th, 1878.

Dear Doctor:-

I have been expecting to hear from you and do not know where to reach you with a letter. I have need to write to you about many things and one a very sad means to give you, My dear God wife died early after being sick for four weeks. She took typhoid feaver and her lungs became affected also. She sufferd much pain but died easily and peaceful withvery bright prospects ofEternal Glory. This is a heavy stroke indeed to us and the James Mission, the indians are sorely greived over her death and they have been kind as well as they knot. Mrs Shields was especially attracted to the children, and would have gladly remained to work for them, but was willing to submit to the will of God. This is a glad day with her happy soul in hevan. Dear Dr. I am cast down but will try and not be discouraged, I will try and trust. God and not let the broodings of dispare come over me. Thers is so much need to be done here and Mrs Sheilds worked to hard , but how shall we do without her God only knows. I must go on with this work here, it must noe stop now but the tears are blinding my eyes and the way seems difficult so much more than ever. If I am spared I will by the Grace of God try to keep up courage and get the James Mission well established and the property well fixed and then if I can not work successfullly without assistance you will have to fill this place with enough of earnest workers to do what should be done, There is work enough for three instead of one or two and four or five could find work in this vicinity. We had a hard struggle with the Priest after you left of which I must write again. The house is nearely ready for the roof. I did the very best I could under th~~e~~ circumstances and worked to hard but it is alright and I will bend all my energies to keep things moving here. I ought to have \$200 more and with that I could make a good house which ought to stand fo a good many years. I will give plan of house again Write to me and let me know where you are, Yours in Christ.

J. M. Shields.

Liberty, Indiana. Nov, 9th,
1878.

Dear Bro Jackson:-

I have not been able to work up to your program nor mine- Mrs. Gs health has not permitted, but I have kept at work as I would have done had it been my own - etc, -- The subject is before twenty or more, Sabath Schools, whom I have seen by addressind - children-teachers meet many of Supts, and pastors-I am tired-. Last Sab, I spoke four times and have made five adresses, on week days and nights since assi'd from calls on the Supt, and etc. Almost every S. S. has taken hold- what may surpass you is very few ministers have read your appeal to Sabath-school. It is all new I have the best of endorsement from prominent ministers, when I have lectured for " graphis discription " interesting- instructive to the young and the old"-etc, But the money comes slow. I can not tell what the Sabath school will do-ie how much- I have received from individuals eighty dollars, \$(80) in cash My expense and wages now for one month (nearly) a mounth to about 45-25-20-Dollars-a little over say less than \$50. I expect to get at least ten dollars in cash tomarrow, besides getting the matter before the Sabayh school.-

I do not feel satisfied with the money aspect- still I have been supplied in money operation by my wifes health which has made me spend some S. S. and weeks when I can not work to the best advantage, Still I have made every week pay---something enough to justify my time and expense.

My wife (Mary) improves slowly, -I had a nurse employed which of course I should have done had I been at home, but is probably I shall have to have a women to stay a week or two to take care of her and the baby at night while I am away. I will ask you to allow me to do it. It will be one or two dollars per week, she is not able to be up at night. If I were home I could help her-I could be preaching at ten dollare per Sabath.-But I cheerfully work at this. 20- Sabath Schools have consented to work for the Pueblo Missions Probably them an others from whom I hav not had an answer yet-some of the twenty may bade out- but I think not-

Bro. John. L. Gage.

Zuni Pueblo, New Mexico.

November, 9th, 1878.

To Dr. Sheldon Jackson,-
Dear Bro.

Yours of the 22nd inst received from Wingate a week ago when the Indians came with the lumber from Crane's, they agreed to go for twelve dollars, each (two wagons) when they came back, brought a bill for 21 dollars and wanted the 24 dollars besides-finally we got it settled and now we are

good friends again, The large box at the Hospital, I did not get yet. But the ball I got, containing the carpet and rug. Mr. Crane said the organ was not to be moved until the new house was completed.

If I have three weeks of good weather yet I think I can get into the house have now decided to put roof on if I can complete the first story and in case we decide to run it another in the spring can easily remove the roof and the stone will not be many for the wall will not be so thick. The first story I am building two feet thick on side. All the masonry get done, I think it is pretty well put up. Of course it is not my trade neither do I care to spend my precious time in this way, but I will not trust any traveling pretender who comes along hunting for work. We have those days of the men, not very hard, then the house lags in many places I do not care to live in it a day longer than necessary. Altogether have spent about two-hundred-dollars on the building, leaving out the well. By next Saturday a week from to day all the doors and windows will be set in. About thirty five more dollars will get (every) enough stone in for the first story. The Indians want warm clothes for the winter, They do not care for beads and gold rings very many of them ask for money. Perea and me went to Wingate and bought axel grease, Muslin, sugar, and etc, We did not go to Cranes, meet him at the Fort, They have the steam saw mill running by this time.

I send an order to the board \$200. will not forward another until I hear from that. We are all well in good hopes of getting in to the new house -. Pedro Pino says two teachers will not be able to teach all the scholars when they all start. But when is the room we mean to rent our quarters for school if we can not get in the new (school) house, otherwise I do not see how we can do any teaching we pay 50¢ every week for rent of S. H. Ought we to pay it?

The check for \$51. 75 I will need, send Nov 12th, more of the same kind. About twenty days more will see the wall of our house Brea and me are both at it now. We got them a month ago to day, and nearly a week of that time we lost going to the Forts and Boats, getting off the trail each time I chop my wood before day-light and we have breakfast by sun up. Mrs E. cooks and Susan (Miss G) teaches. All have plenty to do and time rolls by rapidly, as "Eises".

To-day the 12th, Burgess went to Albuquerque and I sent your box by potting, he was empty and said that he would charge two cents per pound, I will pay him when he returns Told him to leave them at Hannings, Hope you got your fur robe. Sent it with Charley Bell of Anton Chico, said he would leave the box at Allenquaque Express office. Mr P would like for me to ask for the extension of his time

He (t his is a secret) expects to be married to Miss at Christmas. Then the winter will to severe for them to go off, and before that time I can not spare them.

As soon as spring opens some steps ought to be taken for a chape, we have no place to meet, If I write them to the house they can not do not no when to go, then save. MR. P sends regards Respectfully and truly, Your humble servent.

T. F. Ealy.

St. Peter, Minnesota.

November, 9th, 1878

Friend Reigart:-

Our Sabath School took up a collection recently for "Pueblo Mission Buildings" amounting to \$10.00 ten dollars. I have sent to Dr. Wilson number twenty-three center street New York a Draft for that amount. The number of the contributions was seventy-five (75). You may send the documents to me.. Yours Respectfully.

E. R. Moore.

Fort Wrangel, Alaska.

November 9th, 1878.

Dear Bro, Jackson:-

Yours of October 15th, reached me yesterday. I understand all about the money matter now I think, and if I could get what is due me, I would pay the \$150. right over to the church fund, (Mr Young is trying to raise money to send down for lumber for the church building, but I fear he will not get enough by this steamer). I would rather do that for it may make trouble hereafter. The first of this month there was \$330. due from the board. Last mail I wrote to Dr. Lindsley just as I did to you, stating what Dr. Kendall had written to me. This mail he sends me another insulting letter saying, This proves to me that things at 23 Center Street are in a great muddle, and that you fail to make your accounts so they can understand them. I would suggest for your speedy relief that you have, Mr. Young make out a plain statement of your affairs and send them to me for endorsement, and I will forward them to the board, Mr. Young had written to him how much labor I had in the way of letter writting. His answer to him, is. Mrs Mc Farlands appeals go out unsupported by any one, and as she is not generally known they bring no fruit, Therefore all her labor is lost" perhaps I had better send my letter to Portland for his signiture, His letter does not sound mich like Dr. Dickson. He says" You can not imagine how much interest your letters are creating, let this be a part of your work write often and fully, I try not to mind Dr. Lindsley's letter but it is so hard to bear so much of this thing. They sent a

J. M. Reigart, Esq.
Denver Col.
My Dear sir:-

Valmont, Col.
Nov. 11, 1878.

Enclosed please find six dollars and fifty cents special collection taken up by the Valmont Union Sabbath School, November the tenth for the purpose of Building a Mission House for the Pueblo Indians, (as I understand it) the instructions the children had, that ten cents bought a brick and that a certificate would be served to each giving that amount and larger amounts, though in something else. Enclosed please find names of Children. Resp'y J. C. Stewart, Supt, Sabbath School. Please send me thirty five certificates and I will fill in the names of the children, There was two (2) who gave forty cents and one (1) that gave fifty cents. (50)

Yours, J. Stewart.

Moon P. O. Allegheny, Penn.
November 15th, 1878.

J. M. Reigart.
Dear sir:-

I have this day 15th of November, from a contribution of twenty-five dollars (\$25.00) made by the Sharon Sabbath School, Prestyterg of Pittsburg, to Reverend, H. R. Wilson, New York, for the Zuni Mission to often mentioned in the Rocky Mountain Presbyterian, and ask of you the favor of a Photograph of Zuni, that our children may have an opportunity of seeing the place, to which their attention has been directed, and for which their pennies are given. Please direct the photograph to Mr. William Gay or Mrs. Ema P. Jennings. Moore P. O. to Allegheny, Pennsylvania.

Carlisle, Pennsylvania,
November 11th, 1878.

J.M. Reigart,
Box, 2813-Denver Colorado.
Dear Brother:-

Enclosed please find list of names who have put one or more bricks into the Pueblo Mission Building, I have sent the money and directed in R. M. P. to Dr. H. R. Wilson, New York, the amount was \$26.20, part of this is a regular part of the Sunday-school collection is made up of a ten cent brick, Please send the children certificate, and if you can afford for the balance a photograph of the buildings or something pertaining to the Mission,

Yours fraternally,
Geo. Norcross.

Elmira New York,
November, 11th, 1878.

box of things from Portland, this steamer for the "Home" Old trash such as old worn out shoes. There are six pares of them, and I would not give 50¢ for the lot of it. The clothing is of very little use. This is the first box I have received for the "Home", and I am in need of so many things especially bidding now that it is getting so cold. I have the promise of several boxes but it takes so long for them to come. My girls are well and happy. I could have many more but I have to move slowly if I only had my wood bought for the winter it would be such a relief to me. That will be the largest stain of expense and it is one that is a greater trouble to my mind than anything else. The Whichcraft has again broken out, Mr Young has had a great deal of trouble, but he has been very wise and corragous, and I think will be able quell the excitement without any lives being lost. Koothan the oldest Steken Chief died this week He had been sick a long time. He belonged to the Heathen Indians yet they sent for Mr Young to attend to the funeral Shan Stacks (you know he is the ricked chief) lost his wife this week, he is making a great preparation to burn the body tomorrow (Sabath Day) Mr Young and I went to see her when she was sick but they all believe firmly that some person bewitched had poisoned the women causing death. We have had two weadings since, Mr Young came and have prospects of more soon, another young man from Fort Simpson came up and married one of our girls, They seem to have a great liking for these girls, this last was quite a high-toned affair, they were married in the school-house had two bridsmaid and two groomsmen. They made a great display. The more we see of Mr Young the more we lik him. He makes a splended missionary, and we thank the lord that he has sent us such a man as he is. I received by this mail two packages of quilt peices form the Ladies at Pontsmouth Ohio, was glad to get them, Mr. Vanderbault is very sick they have sent to Sitka for Dr. Delany(the deputy col) to come down. If he does not come they are going below on this Steamer. It does seem dreadfull not to have a Physician here, we need one for the Indians so much and if we had a good Christian Dr, here. I have not been able to see Mr Davidson yet about the pictures, but will try to see him before the steamer goes off. I forgot to say about when writting about sick people, that Tonaw-att's wife is very sick in-deed.

Now is muxt close. Mr Young wrote to you about the cost of the buildings for the Mission. I hope you received it. Love to Mrs. Jackson and the Little girl.

Yours Faithfully.

A. R. Mc, Farland.

Denver, Colorado.
July 12, 1878.

Dear Brother Condit:

Permit me to address you and the brethren of Oregon who may take any interest in the matter, to your communication of June 10, to the Interior of Chicago. Now turn to the action of the Presbytery of _____ April 3, 1878, where it is said "up to this time failure seemed to attend every effort altogether to the appeals etc". Now when was "this time" referred to? Was it not the time of my visit to Portland and Alaska? What reason was there to believe that the "urgent appeals" would accomplish any more in the future than in the past? None at all. If the Presbytery of _____ had continued to make the appeals in which they had been doing, they would have continued to fall flat on the church. What then produced the change at that time? Not certainly Mr. Mallory's going to Alaska, because first, he was dying of consumption and could not have remained in Alaska. Second, because the few days that he remained in Alaska were spent in bed on account of his health; Third, because he had already been appointed on account of his health to a position in the South; Fourth, there is no reason to believe that the Presbyterian Board of Foreign Missions that had been applied to by the Presbytery of _____ (A) Because he was already laid aside from service by disease, (B) Because it was a new field and the Board being badly in debt, were unable to take any new debt at that time, (C) also because it seemed to be their settled policy at the time not to establish any new Mission among the Indians. They had not established a new Mission among the Indians and occupied it since 1849 - nearly thirty years ago.

Fifth, up to that time, Dr. Lindsey having but just received the minutes of the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church did not know that the Board of Home Missions had any authority to establish such a Mission among the natives of Alaska.

Now there is no explaining away the fact that I was the "link" whom Providence sent to change repeated failures to success. First, I called the attention of Dr. Lindsey and the brethren of the Presbytery of _____ to the action of the General Assembly, authorizing The Board of Home Missions to establish missions among the Natives and Indians of the United States. Previously they had supposed that it was necessary for them to act through The Board of Foreign Missions, or not at all, and the Board of Foreign Missions was unable and unwilling to do anything in the matter. Thus I secured the change of direction of effort. Any other person could have done it just as well, or the brethren of the Presbytery of the _____ could have read it in the Minutes of the General Assembly, still they had not done so and God used me to do it.

Second, my going to Alaska when I did prevented the Methodists from occupying the ground. The Natives of Fort Wrangell, had already heard through British channels, that Mr. Mallory would not return to them and active negotiations were under way or the impression had some how been given and the expectation created that the Methodists would occupy the place.

Third, I have reason to know that Mrs. A. R. MacFarland, would not have gone to Alaska at that time, if I had not agreed to go with, and establish her. If she had not gone up at that time to remain, the Methodists would have been on the field, and perhaps the Roman Catholics also, as upon the invitation of some of the citizens of Wrangell, a Catholic priest had even then been sent for.

Humanly speaking, neither Mr. Brady nor Mr. S. Hall Young would have been secured for Alaska, if it had not been for my personal interviews with them. General appeals through the papers or letters to the Seminaries do not ordinarily secure men for such fields. During how many months letters had been written by Dr. Lindsey and others for a Missionary to the Nez Perces and without success. All Christian workers have had large experiences of the difficulties of securing suitable men by correspondence.

The Treasurer of the Board of Home Missions, writes that they have received as the result of my letters and addresses large contributions, aggregating thousands of dollars, as specials to Alaska - One person sent in a six hundred dollar check. This cordial response to the church gave the Secretary encouragement to enter into the work in Alaska and but for that encouragement they would not have taken up the work in Alaska for you are probably aware that there is a large minority in the Presbyterian Church, led by the Interior of Chicago, who are opposed to the Board of Home Missions, having nothing to do with schools, or Indians and this minority has made itself felt in the Office of the Home Board in New York City.

Now allow me to call the attention of the brethren of Presbytery to the closing portion of their action.

It reads as follows: "The Mission was already located." Whether the Mission was already located or not depends upon how you view it. God's providence had already located the Mission when He sent the Indian Phillip there, and it was not then a Presbyterian Mission. Mr. Mallory had not located it for, First, he had perfected no permanent arrangement; Second, He informed me that his object in going there was not missionary, but political; that he had gone to Alaska hoping to be made an Indian agent for that country. Third, The Board of Foreign Missions had not taken charge and as noticed in the former part of this letter was not only in no condition to do so but had no purpose of doing so. Fourth, In response to my written request the Board of Home Missions had at its meeting in June, 1877, appointed the Rev. Francis H. Robinson, as Mission

ary to Alaska, but before he received his commission he had accepted an invitation to a church in California. This action of the Home Board was still unknown to Dr. Lindsley of the Presbytery of Oregon, upon my arrival in Portland the last of July, and as Mr. Robinson had not gone to Alaska, he did not locate it.

Fifth, The mission had no place as a Presbyterian Mission until Mr. A. R. MacFarland arrived on the ground and took charge of the Mission, August 10, 1877. It was then permanently assured. It is true that the "locating was the result of several weary years of watching etc", and there is no one more ready to admire and honor Dr. Lindsley in that respect, than myself. I have the greatest admiration and love for men like Dr. Lindsley, who are ever watching for new openings. They are men after my own heart; nevertheless it is still a historical fact that the Mission was not taken charge of, until I went up there. No dear Brother, "failure seemed to attend every effort", until I took hold of the work. If you have read the church papers, you will find that I have taken special pains to recognize Dr. Lindsley's efforts as well as that of several others who at some time were prominent in their efforts to help Alaska. Also in my newspaper letters from Oregon, it gave me great pleasure to give special prominence to Dr. Lindsley and his good work in Portland, Oregon and Washington. Therefore the brethren in Oregon will see that I am doing what what I can to honor their excellent leader.

Now in conclusion, permit-me to friendly write, that I was sorry to read the following clause in your letter of the Interior. "In common with yourself etc". First, that clause gives the appearance to the public that the Missionaries agree with Dr. Gray of the Interior, in his opposition to the work of the Board of Home Missions among the Indians. He does not believe in the Home Board having anything to do in the evangelization of the Indians, or Mexicans and because I have such Missions under my care and press them vigorously on the ground, he has seen fit to make violent attacks on me and my work. The sins of the "Centerings", consists in the fact, that the Alaska Indians were at one end of the trip. He will oppose anything in that line that your Presbytery will do. As of "Centerings" my trip as far as Walla Walla, was in obedience to the direct instructions of the Missionary secretary, concerning which I had no discretion. From Walla Walla to Portland, my trip was discretionary and the Secretary expected me to take it. From Portland to Alaska, my trip was finally taken upon my own judgment and at the earnest request of Dr. Lindsley and others interested in Alaska.

Upon my return from Alaska, Dr. Lindsley thanked me again and again for the work that I had done. Consequently I was grieved to have the influence of the Oregon brethren thrown on the side of those who will oppose your Presbyterianial work

for the Indians as well as mine. If any of the brethren did not like my course in Oregon would it not have been more Christ like to have written me, asking for explanations rather than spread it before the public and give the enemies of our Indian Missions an opportunity of strengthening their opposition. No brethren let us stand together in the work and when we differ let us harmonize our differences in private. In my visit to you I tried to have a good word for every one and hoped to have met the same charity in return.

Very sincerely yours,
Sheldon Jackson.

